

## Annual Acceptance of Policy

1. I have read John Hancock Charter School's school mission, belief statements, purpose and goals. I agree to support JHCS as it pursues fulfillment of its mission.
2. As a charter school, JHCS receives less funding than regular public schools. Despite the lower funding, JHCS students are succeeding and achieving at a higher rate. In order to continue to offer students the opportunity to excel academically, JHCS depends upon volunteerism to provide some services and supplies for which regular public schools receive state funding. In addition, by offering the opportunity for volunteer service, JHCS builds a sense of community and investment in the program. I understand and agree that our family is expected to provide at least 1 hour per week or 40 hours of volunteer service each year we have children enrolled at JHCS (20 hours per single parent family).

Sibling preference for JHCS students is discretionary with the board. Sibling preference will not be granted unless the parents of the prospective sibling student has completed all recommended hours of volunteer service as outlined in the Acceptance of Policy form, which hours are to be completed by the last day of the school year preceding the intended enrollment of the sibling.

3. I understand that attendance at JHCS is voluntary, and that if I do not agree with the educational philosophy of JHCS, I am free to place my children in regular public schools, or in another charter school with a philosophy more to my liking, or even to join with like-minded parents to organize a charter school which will conform to my philosophy. Therefore, I will promote the vision of JHCS by using positive communication, courtesy and respect when interacting with staff, students, parents and anyone else in the school community. I will follow JHCS's communication model, specifically, I will take any concerns I have directly to the person most able to successfully address those concerns, and not to others who cannot address the concern. I will work in a cooperative manner to promote the school mission.
4. I understand that my child will be required to follow the school dress uniform, and I will ensure that my child is in compliance with the school dress uniform policy. I will maintain my student's school uniform in acceptable condition. The uniform will be kept clean, and all holes or tears will be repaired.

5. I understand that it is my responsibility to provide transportation for my child(ren) to and from school and I agree to do this in accordance with the Arrival and Pickup Procedures outlined in the Parent/Student Handbook.

6. I understand the JHCS has a goal of 95% attendance for students. I will work to schedule appointments and lessons outside of school hours. I will bring my student to school on time. I understand that if my child is absent 10 consecutive school days he/she may be unenrolled from JHCS, according to school district guidelines.

7. I understand that JHCS will not be providing a school lunch program, and that my child will need to bring a sack lunch to school each day.

8. I understand that a major focus of JHCS's mission is to help my child gain knowledge and a love of learning. I will support this effort by providing a place and a regular time each school day in which my child can engage in learning activities, including homework, in our home. I will work with my child to ensure assignments are completed in a timely manner.