

## ***JOURNEY SCHOOL PARENT PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS***

Enrollment in Journey School is a choice to participate in a unique approach to learning and lifestyle with strong core values. This commitment requires a healthy working partnership between the school and every parent. As partners, we agree to the following:

### **The School Will:**

- Provide a safe, positive, nurturing learning environment and program with an excellent team of educators committed to teaching Waldorf education.
- Respect all community members.
- Keep parents informed of their children's learning progress.
- Provide continuing parent development opportunities.
- Solicit needed and appropriate parent involvement in school and classroom activities.
- Follow the school's guidelines for open, direct, and effective communication.
- Work together with each other, parents and students to solve concerns.
- Strive for excellence and continued improvement.
- Hold ourselves accountable to the highest ethical, professional, and teaching standards.

### **Parents Will:**

- Assure their child regularly attends the full day, only missing due to emergency or illness.
- Drop off and pick up on time—repeated tardies are not acceptable.
- Follow the school's guidelines for open, direct communication.
- Work together with teachers, administration, and other parents to solve concerns.

### **The School Strongly Encourages Parents To:**

- Read the School Handbook and follow the school's policies, procedures, and practices; including the policies concerning snack and lunch expectations, media, homework, and dress code.
- Attend parent events or festivals, conferences, class and community meetings.
- Provide a home life for their child that supports the school's philosophy, including a rhythmic daily and weekly schedule, adequate sleep, a nutritious diet, minimal or no electronic media exposure as per the media guidelines, and positive discipline.
- Volunteer at the school, with the goal being a minimum of 5 hours per month on average.
- Participate in the school's "Close the Gap" program to what ever the degree they are financially able so that the school can provide a full Waldorf program for all students.