# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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As members of the WNC community, we choose to be part of an academic community dedicated to those principles that foster personal and professional integrity, civility, and acceptance. We strive toward lives of personal integrity and academic excellence-We will encourage in ourselves, and in one another, those responsible actions which lead to lives of productive work, personal enrichment, and useful citizenship in an increasingly interdependent world.

We commit to treat one another with civility-Recognizing that there will be differences of opinion, we will explore the differences in a courteous and forthright manner, always acknowledging individual rights to the freedom of expression and association.

We embrace diversity-We encourage those of all cultures, orientations, and backgrounds to understand and respect one another in a safe and supportive educational environment.