## **Behavior Expectation Policy**

At Museum Discovery Camp, we have high expectations for campers' ability to monitor their own behavior and strive to keep disciplinary actions to a minimum. We ask all campers to follow our 3 Museum Discovery Camp rules at all times.

- 1 -

## Respect The Reading Public Museum.

Treat our facilities, exhibits, artifacts, supplies, and equipment with care; clean up after yourself.
Follow The Museum Rules.

- 2 -

## Respect Your Fellow Campers.

Be kind, use polite and respectful language, share, take turns, and keep all body parts outside of others personal space.

- 3 -

## Respect Your Counselors

(including all camp and Museum staff and volunteers).

Listen and then follow instructions, use polite and respectful language, stay with your class at all times.

The Following guidelines will be followed in the case of camper misbehavior:

Campers will be made aware of where they stand for each infraction.

For cases of disrespectful or disruptive behavior or language:

1st and 2nd Strike - Verbal warning

3<sup>rd</sup> Strike - Time out from activity for 10 minutes

4th Strike - Time out with a camp staff member for 30 minutes and must write a letter for parents/guardians explaining why they were disciplined which camp staff will sign and distribute at pick-up The slate is wiped clean each day, but if a camper reaches the maximum strikes for their behavior on multiple days (not necessarily consecutive), then:

2<sup>nd</sup> Day - Phone call to parents from camp staff member

3<sup>rd</sup> Day - Camper must take 1 Day off from camp (no refund)

4<sup>th</sup> Day - Camper is asked not to return to camp that week (no refund) For cases of physically or emotionally aggressive\* behavior towards others or themselves (defined as purposeful and leaves a mark or as purposeful bullying and witnessed by camp staff):

1st Strike - Time out with a camp staff member for 30 min and must write a letter for parents/guardians explaining why they were disciplined which a camp staff member will sign and distribute at pick-up

**2**<sup>nd</sup> **Strike** - Time out with a camp staff member for the remainder of the day and phone call to parents to collect camper within one hour

3<sup>rd</sup> Strike - Time out with a camp staff member for the remainder of the day and phone call to parents to collect camper within one hour; Camper must take the following day off from camp (no refund)

4th Strike - Time out with a camp staff member for the remainder of the day and phone call to parents to collect camper within one hour; Camper will be asked not to return to camp for remainder of the week (no refunds)

\*If the severity of the behavior is deemed beyond disciplinary action, that camper will immediately be asked not to return to camp for the remainder of the season (no refund). For example, this could be considered if the camper inflicts severe physical injury to another camper or themselves, or has demonstrated that they are a danger to other campers or to themselves\*

\*If the camper is scheduled for multiple weeks of camp and if they cannot control themselves after two weeks of discipline, they will be asked not to return to camp for the remainder of the season with no refunds\*