

a James Irwin Charter School

2024-2025 Academic & Behavioral Contract

Power Technical (PTEC) is a Career and Technical Education (CTE) school as well as an academically focused school, based on the belief that all students will benefit from an academically rigorous program. PTEC students must fulfill important academic requirements and take responsibility for their own learning.

- 1. PTEC students are required to be full-time during each semester. Students are expected to complete all homework assignments and turn them in on time. They must set aside and expect to spend about one hour every night doing homework and studying their course work in addition to the CTE courses. Academics come before all jobs, socializing, sports, or other extra-curricular activities.
- 2. Students are expected to:
 - arrive at class with all necessary materials textbooks, notebooks, paper, pens/pencils and completed homework be seated and ready to work when class begins
 - be active participants in the learning process by listening carefully, taking thorough notes, contributing positively to class discussions, and being respectful of the ideas of others
 - be responsible for their school work (plagiarism or copying another's work is unacceptable), make productive use of study halls
- 3. When absent, students are expected to coordinate with teachers what was covered in class during their absence and complete missing assignments within the two days allowed for each day of an excused absence.
- 4. Due to the cumulative nature of mathematics, students must have earned a minimum of 70% in all Math by the end of the year in order to meet the prerequisite for the next level.
- 5. If the student's grade(s) drop below a C- and are maintained there, they will be put on a more specific and personalized academic contract.
- 6. The student is ultimately responsible for knowing the high school graduation requirements and for fulfilling those requirements. Courses and requirements are fully described in the school's course description booklet. Students may request schedule changes during the Student Summer Check-in day in July and the first two weeks of the second semester in January only. After those times, students may not change their schedules or withdraw from a class and must remain in the class until the end of the semester.

Power Technical (PTEC) standards for behavior are designed to build character and work ethic for adult working environments, college, and life, not simply to manage behavior while attending



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school. The standards in this contract will apply to the entire community at school. Staff members, parents, and students are to be positive examples while on campus or at any school-sponsored event.

Honesty, integrity, respect, responsibility, and excellence are the character traits that are valued and expected. These character traits demonstrate respect for authority, self, others, and others' ideas. This includes respectfully confronting someone with whom we have a problem with the goal of finding a solution. Maintaining these traits creates the atmosphere necessary to support academic excellence and workplace safety.

Student infractions will be dealt with promptly in order to minimize disruptions and uphold expectations. Teachers are responsible for keeping classroom order. PTEC school administration will deal with serious instances of unacceptable behavior in accordance with the school policy, district policy, and applicable school laws.

The following list is an example of unacceptable behaviors. The list is illustrative and should not be considered exhaustive.

- Disruptive conduct or failure to comply with a reasonable request
- Causing classroom or school activity disruptions
- Leaving campus during the school day without permission
- Possession of illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or sexually explicit materials on campus or at school-related events
- Inappropriate or immodest dress
- Racial discrimination or abusive language
- Bullying of staff or students either on-campus or through electronic means
- Weapons or dangerous instruments
- Cheating or Plagiarism
- Intentionally creating an unsafe lab or working environment for self or others
 - These infractions will generally result in the student being removed from the lab immediately for a specific amount of time.

We have read, understand, and agree to follow the spirit and letter of the PTEC academic expectations, school safety, and behavior expectations available at www.jamesirwin.org.

We will read and initial the parent commitment letter because we understand and will follow the above policies and practices.