**Professionalism:**

Students conducting field experiences must act, as professional teachers throughout their placement, maintaining a respectful and courteous manner with all school personnel and students. Drexel University students should conduct all conversations about school students in a confidential manner.

- Candidates are urged to dress both *conservatively* and *professionally*.
- Refrain from **eating and drinking** during classroom visits.
- Use of cell phones is prohibited, unless it is an emergency.
- Avoid interactions with PK-12 students via social media sites.
- Do not use of school resources unless otherwise permitted.
- Use appropriate, professional language at all times.
- **Remember:** You are not only representing yourself but Drexel University. *First impressions are lasting impressions!*

**PA Code of Professional Practice and Conduct:**

All teacher candidates are expected to abide by the standards put forth in the [Pennsylvania Code of Professional Practice and Conduct for Educators](https://www.pdesas.org/edcl/default.aspx). These guidelines are the same standards used when recommending teacher candidates for certification. Teacher candidates are advised to read this document in its entirety prior to conducting any field experience.