

Cascade Heights Public Charter School

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In the formation of our charter school, we knew it would be important to set the standards high not only in academics, but also in social behavior. When we discovered "PoliteChild", we knew it would be an excellent, systematic approach to preparing children for a global society who were polite, hospitable and kind. We want our students to be more than casual observers of good social skills. Our desire is for them to feel comfortable in all social settings, understand the purpose of manners and in turn be able to demonstrate them naturally. Above all, we want children to be gracious in all that they do and grateful for all that is done for them. Children who are comfortable socially do better in school, feel better about themselves, are confident in their relationships with all age groups.

The *PoliteChild* logo is on the front of our website and brings more comments from parents and community members than any thing else they see. Parents tell us that they chose our school because of *PoliteChild*. We constantly get comments from tour guides about how polite, kind and thoughtful our students are on field trips. People notice that our students are different and the comments are always about their manners, their social maturity and their ability to interact with other people of any age. *PoliteChild* pays attention to the details of social behavior, allowing children to interact more positively in all social situations by preparing them for the future. Our students will know which fork to use at a formal dinner; they will be able to write a lovely thank-you note for a gift received and most importantly, they will know that their career as a "PoliteChild" began at Cascade Heights.

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