SOUTH MESA ELEMENTARY

SAFETY at South Mesa

A safe, respectful, and focused school is essential for student well-being, learning, and success.

STUDENT SAFETY & RESPECT

- We expect all staff to follow district standards and professional expectations at all times.
- Student interactions are appropriate, respectful, and focused on student well-being, learning, and teamwork.
- We are committed to maintaining a safe and respectful environment for every student.

SCREEN USE AT SCHOOL

- Screens are used with purpose and in a limited, instructional way.
- Teachers use district-approved programs that support reading, math, and grade-level learning.
- We balance screen time with hands-on learning, discussion, collaboration, and movement.

NO PERSONAL DEVICES

- Personal devices are not allowed at school, including smartwatches, cellular phones, and other devices.
- This helps us keep students:
  - Safe
  - Focused on learning
  - Free from distractions
  - Protected from unwanted communication
- If a device is brought to school, we ask that students keep it in their backpack until dismissal.

OUR COMMITMENT TO SAFETY

We take all safety concerns seriously, investigate them thoroughly, and follow district policies and procedures.

We value clear communication and partnership with our families to keep South Mesa a safe place to learn and grow.

FERPA & STUDENT PRIVACY

- Student information is protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- We protect confidential information about other students. We cannot share another student's educational records or confidential disciplinary information without appropriate authorization or a legal exception.

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