



## Natural Resources Program Expectations

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### Students must be ready to:

- Interact with Mr. Dragon and other adults connected to the program as though they are your employers. In many ways, the Natural Resources program is run like a business. As your “employers,” Mr. Dragon and the HACTC team have final say on all instructions and project assignments.
- Be present, on time, in-person and fully engaged to benefit from the experiential, hands-on, and collaborative learning environment. There is no substitute for missed class time and field time. Students may not refuse to participate in classroom, greenhouse or field activities.
- Consistently and completely adhere to all safety expectations and pass all safety training with 100% before being allowed to use tools and equipment.
- Wear clothing that meets the NR dress code for shop and field safety, including:
  - Closed-toed work shoes/boots (reinforced toe preferred)
  - Durable work clothes that are seasonally appropriate for outdoor work
  - No loose or dangling clothing or jewelry around running machinery
  - Long hair must be pulled back when around running machinery
  - Safety gear (chaps, helmet, ear protection, eye protection, gloves, safety vest)
  - Sleeved shirts (no tank tops)
  - Long pants
  - Hoods must be kept DOWN and ears must be visible (no earbuds)
- Sign a cellphone contract and store cell phones in their designated area during class
- Work collaboratively as a team, and interact positively and professionally with students, school staff, customers and community members at all times.
- Demonstrate safe and professional behaviors at all times in the classroom, shop, greenhouse, bus and in the field (there is never a time or place that horseplay is appropriate).

- Engage with daily classroom assignments involving math, reading, writing and science.
- Independently read and comprehend industry texts, publications, and safety training modules.
- Participate in strenuous work outdoors in all weather conditions/terrain, and around dangerous tools, heavy equipment and loud noises.
- Independently, reliably and safely execute directions and instructions that are delivered orally in the field.
- Work safely, efficiently, and independently with hazardous equipment that requires well-developed and precise motor skills for proper operation.
- Be able to lift, carry, and (with training) safely operate tools, including a chainsaw.