

# Youth Community Standards of Conduct

Happy Valley Improv strives to be a welcoming and inclusive artistic space. As such, there are expectations for how all members and participants conduct themselves.

1. Everything we do is rooted in kindness, generosity, encouragement, and support. In both words and deeds, we seek to uplift and never harm. Meanness in word or deed of any kind will not be tolerated.
2. The Youth Program strives for excellence and professionalism. Entering into the space implies understanding that conversations should reflect those ideals through respectful language and appropriate subject matter.
3. The Blue Brick Theatre is the home of Happy Valley Improv and a place of artistic endeavor; we learn by doing and watching others. Therefore, we show respect to one another, ourselves, and our goals through focused attention to the action (on stage or in practice), even when we are not actively performing in the moment.
4. Being a part of Happy Valley Improv's Youth Program signifies a commitment to the practice sessions and their content. If you are present, you are expected to engage in the class's work or performance fully. If a student is incapable of engaging, they should either speak to the Instructor/Director immediately and determine a plan for the practice session or choose not to attend on that day.

## **Failure to Abide by the Youth Community Standards of Conduct and Tenets**

If a student fails to abide by the standards of conduct or tenets put forth above, HVI Youth Teachers will implement the following plan:

1. First warning: "Upon the first infraction, the instructor will address the student in the moment and privately after the session."
2. Second warning: After a second infraction, the Instructor will inform the parent or guardian over email. Further discussion may be requested or required, with or without the student, either in person or over the phone. The Youth Director may be included.
3. Upon a third infraction, HVI reserves the right to disinvite that student from the HVI Youth program with no tuition refund.

## **Expressing Concerns**

If a student or parent/guardian has concerns throughout the program, they are encouraged to contact either the individual HVI Youth Teacher or the Youth Director

([youthdirector@happyvalleyimprov.com](mailto:youthdirector@happyvalleyimprov.com))

**Cost\***

***Foundations of Improv*** - \$200/6 weeks

***Electives*** - \$200/6 weeks

***Conservatory*** - The duration and frequency of meetings will be determined in conversation with a dedicated director once a group is established. The cost will be determined at that time.

*\*If you are experiencing financial hardship that prohibits participation in any programs, contact [happyvalleyimprov@gmail.com](mailto:happyvalleyimprov@gmail.com) for information about the Brick-by-Brick Scholarship Program.*

**Parent/Guardian and Youth Improviser Agreement**

In signing, we agree that we understand the Course Pathways' sequence, the expectations for the student's personal and professional conduct, and the processes and consequences if those expectations are not met.

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**Signature - Student**

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**Date**

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**Signature - Parent/Guardian**

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**Date**