# The Victorian Teaching Profession's Code of Ethics

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As teachers, we use our expert knowledge to provide experiences that inspire and facilitate the learning of those we teach.

We are a significant force in developing a knowledgeable, creative, productive and democratic society. The values that underpin our profession are **integrity**, **respect** and **responsibility**. We hold a unique position of trust and influence, which we recognise in our relationships with learners, parents / carers, colleagues and the community.

The purpose of this Code is to

- state the values that guides our practice and conduct
- enable us as a profession to affirm our public accountability
- promote public confidence in our profession.



### WE DEMONSTRATE OUR INTEGRITY BY

- acting in the best interest of learners
- maintaining a professional relationship with learners, parents / carers, colleagues and the community
- behaving in ways that respect and advance the profession.

## WE DEMONSTRATE OUR RESPECT BY

- acting with care and compassion
- treating learners fairly and impartially
- holding our colleagues in high regard
- acknowledging parents and carers as partners in the education of their children.

# WE DEMONSTRATE OUR RESPONSIBILITY BY

- providing quality teaching
- maintaining and developing our professional practice
- working cooperatively with colleagues in the best interest of our learners.

