

Adcock ES

Ron Clark Philosophy

Adcock House System



What is the Ron Clark Academy?

- Located in Atlanta, Georgia and founded by Ron Clark.
- The Ron Clark Academy is known for its rigorous curriculum and high-achieving students.
- Author of...*The Essential 55*,
The End of Molasses Classes,
The Excellent 11 and
Move Your Bus
- "House System"





Why are we doing this?

- We want our students to achieve high self-esteem, confidence, and life skills. We want to teach them the power of "giving and earning respect".
 - The Adcock 15 will be essential in helping us achieve this goal.
- We want our students to be motivated to come to school, be inspired to achieve their goals, and have a sense of family and community within Adcock.
 - The House System will be essential in helping us achieve this goal.

Adcock 15

- Adcock 15 are the fifteen expectations for which we will be holding our students accountable.
- All teachers and staff will be trained on the Adcock 15 and students will be praised and rewarded for following these expectations.
- Teachers and staff will model expectations by following the Adcock 15 and showing the same respect to students, that we expect of them.

Adcock 15

1. Respect others' comments, ideas, and opinions.
2. Be kind by encouraging and praising others.
3. Use Please, Thank You, May I, and Excuse Me.

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4. Be as organized as possible.
5. Shake hands firmly and introduce yourself.
6. Make eye contact when speaking, and when being spoken to.

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7. Always speak and write in complete sentences.

8. Hold the door for others.

9. If you do it, own it. Be honest.

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10. Do not ask for, or expect, a reward.
11. Be the best person you can be.
12. If you win, do not brag. If you lose, do not show anger.

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13. Be responsible and pick up after yourself.

14. Follow the school's expectations at all times.

15. Make everyone feel welcome.

The House System

- Students will be divided into four houses and will earn points for following the Adcock 15.
- Throughout the year, there will be house meetings, house celebrations, and team-building activities that will foster a sense of community for our students.
- At the end of the year, the house with the most points will be rewarded with a celebration!



AMISTAD

Spanish for Friendship

The house color is red which represents kindness of heart and strength of a true warrior.

House Quote: “To have a friend is to have one of the sweetest gifts that life can bring.”

-Anna Robertson Brown



ALTRUISMO

Portuguese for Giver

The house color is black which represents the power to empower others.

House Quote: “We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.”

-Winston Churchill



ISIBINDI

Zulu for Courage

The house color is green which represents paying respect to the rich resources and awe-inspiring beauty.

House Quote: “I learned that courage was not the absence of fear but the triumph over it. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear.”

-Anna Robertson Brown



REVEUR

French for Dreamers

The house color is blue which represents confidence and passion.

House Quote: “Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.”

-Harriet Tubman

The House System

How to Earn Points!

- Wearing your house shirt on Fridays.
- Being observed following the Adcock 15.
- Being here on time everyday.

Other House Information

- Never ask to receive points.
- Any staff member can award points.
- Points cannot be lost!

We can't do this without you!

- Hold your child accountable for following the Adcock 15 at home.

If a child follows these expectations at school AND at home, that child will be likely to follow the expectations in all settings. With this in place, the expectations will stick with him throughout his life.

- Allow your child to make mistakes

"Parents have a natural instinct to protect their children and come to their rescue. But, as your children get older, it can become a problem to intervene too much on their behalf." - Ron Clark

- Come to us with any concerns.
- Remember that "not every child deserves a cookie". -Ron Clark - *The End of Molasses Classes*

Our goals....

- We will seek to form a relationship with every child.
- We will listen to you and your child.
- We will strive to create memories that will have a lasting impact on your child's life.
- We will push ourselves to be innovative and give your child the education he/she deserves.
- We will model the Adcock 15 at all times.