## Acton TriStar Academy Parent Contract 2024/2025

As parents, this is our commitment to our children and Acton TriStar Community.

- 1. Trust our child and trust the process: We will welcome the self-paced environment at Acton Academy. We will allow our Mustangs to fail early, cheaply and as often as necessary without intervening. We will be patient and respect that our hero's path may be different from ours. We will resist intervening to solve their problems or remove obstacles.
- **2. Embrace failure and experience as the best teachers:** We will embrace the messiness of experiential learning. We will regularly reflect on difficult experiences as opportunities for growth.
- 3. Embrace accountability: We will support the systems of accountability in the studios. We will have clear and consistent boundaries at home to hold our child/children accountable using natural and logical consequences. If needed we will remove distractions (like gaming, video, or social media), lessen resistance, or overcome feelings of victimhood so our child/children can thrive. We will encourage, celebrate and hold our Mustang accountable to his/her goals and plan.
- **4. Meaningfully engage with our child:** We will be present and listen well in conversations with our hero, seeking to understand by asking questions. We will be curious, accepting, and affirming our hero's thoughts and feelings without judgment. We will give growth mindset praise and celebrate our child's effort and progress.
- **5. Meaningfully engage with the community:** We will regularly attend Business Fair, 3 Parent Pow-Wows, Exhibitions, and Hero Reviews to get to know others and support our heroes journey along with our own. We will assume the best of others, modeling respect, honesty, and kindness. We commit to answering the Acton TriStar Academy survey once every session. We will give and receive honest, thoughtful feedback.
- **6.** Be self-directed lifelong learners and problem-solvers: We will actively seek out answers to our questions and find our own solutions. We will take responsibility for our own learning as lifelong learners with active learning projects that we share with our child/children.
- 7. We will honor the heroes journey: We understand that all meetings to resolve conflict involving heroes will take place with the heroes involved along with the owner & guide. These meetings will follow the Peace Table guidelines. Parents can only request a meeting with the permission of their own heroes and agree to be there to listen and ask questions if needed. The heroes will lead the meeting, not the parents.