

# Acton Academy Amarillo Parent Contract 2021/22

As parents at Acton Academy Amarillo, we promise to the founders and to our children that we will:

**1. Trust our child and trust the process:**

We will welcome the self-paced environment at Acton Academy Amarillo. [We will be patient](#) and respect that our child's path may be different from ours. We will allow our Hero to fail early, cheaply and as often as necessary without intervening, and in the event our Hero struggles, we will refer to the [Hero's Journey for Parents note](#) for counsel before reacting.

**2. Embrace failure and experience as the best teacher:**

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. We will act if needed to remove distractions (like gaming, video, or social media), lessen resistance, or overcome feelings of victimhood so our child/children can thrive.

**4. Meaningfully engage with our child:**

We will be present and listen well in conversations with our child, [seeking to understand by asking questions](#). We will be curious, accepting and affirming our child's thoughts and feelings without judgement. We will give [growth mindset praise](#) and celebrate our child's effort and progress.

**5. Meaningfully engage with the community:**

We will regularly attend parent meetings, exhibitions, and parent coffees to get to know other. We will give and receive [honest, thoughtful feedback](#). We will assume the best of others, modeling respect, honesty, and kindness. We will deliver our child/children to the Studio before 8:30 am and understand that if they arrive late, they will not be able to participate in that morning's discussion.

**6. Be self-directed learners and problem-solvers:**

We will remain [lifelong learners](#) and each will have an active learning project (such as a book or self-improvement project) at all times to discuss with our children.

Please sign and date below.

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Parent Signature

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