Agile Parenting Manifesto

We own the serious responsibility of developing the parents of tomorrow. To best prepare our children for this new world, which we can only begin to understand, we follow these values:

Goals and Purpose over rules and processes

Release of Human Potential over conformity to preconceived outcomes

Compassionate Courage over convenient complacency

Practice and Progress over preaching perfection

A Focus on the Environment over controlling behaviors

"That is, while there is value in the items on the right,
we value the items on the left more."

Tune and adjust both as needed, but no more.

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We follow these principles:

Consistent **traceability of practices to purposes** assures integrity of word and deed. We practice what we preach and preach what we value, and our children observe this.

We recognize the uncertain nature of the environment in which we parent and our children live. We **stay conscious enough to adapt to change** while maintaining the goal.

Encouragement of **curious exploration and reflective experience** maintains consciousness at a level that can leverage possibilities.

Approaching situations with a sense of **adventure and hope** creates positive energy that builds self-esteem and respectful self-confidence.

Providing family members with **open and honest communications**.

Live a life of **continuous self-reflection** and have the strength to admit and accept the truth about ourselves.

Commitment to the right path, not just the easy path – **acting with integrity**.

We believe a **safe and supportive environment** is essential for practice that develops proficiency.

Action that is evidenced or experienced will always be understood more than ideas and words.

The **visible results of practice** are the primary measure of progress.

Give children the **environment and support** they need, and trust the behaviors will follow suit.

At regular intervals, **focus on the family structure and psyche**.

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