

Code of Ethics

As a Bending Blade Yoga Teacher, I recognize that it is my responsibility and privilege to support the physical, mental, and spiritual welfare of my students, and to uphold the dignity and integrity of the yoga teachings. Therefore I agree to abide by the following ethical code:

Relationships with Students: In recognition of the trust placed in me by my students, I agree to:

Show only the highest regard for my students' personal beliefs and values.

- Offer my services of teaching yoga to all persons, regardless of sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, age, marital status, sexual orientation, or political affiliation – to the extent I am competent to offer such services, based on my training and experience.
- Avoid any action that I know will conflict with the highest interest of my students.
- Avoid taking unfair advantage of students financially, sexually, romantically or otherwise.
- Refrain from initiating a romantic or sexual relationship with a current student, even if invited by the student.

Professional Conduct: In conducting my teaching practice, I will:

- Offer only those services that I am competent to provide.

- Not attempt to diagnose a student's physical or psychological conditions, prescribe a treatment, or suggest or approve of going against a physician's advice.
- Take continuing education in yoga teaching on a regular basis.
- Be honest, straightforward, fair, and conscientious in all business dealings.
- Manage my business finances according to accepted business and accounting practice.

Advertising: In brochures, advertising, and other descriptions of my services (including verbal), I will:

- Make no exaggerated claims as to the benefits of yoga practice or my classes.
- Represent my training, qualifications, abilities, and affiliations accurately and unambiguously.
- No falsely imply sponsorship by, representation of, or endorsement by any organization.

I have read and understand this code of ethics and hereby agree to honor its provisions:

Signature _____ Date _____

Print name _____