

The Student Code of Conduct sets out Kennedy Baptist College's expectations of students with respect to their academic and personal conduct.

Students are to commit themselves to uphold:

- the values of the College and respect the Christian ethos of the College
- the spirit of the Code of Conduct and accept that their conduct reflects on the College.

Students have an obligation to inform themselves of the College policies affecting them, such as the:

- attendance policy
- digital citizenship college agreement
- discipline policy
- bullying prevention policy
- uniform policy
- homework and assessment policy
- complaints policy
- privacy policy
- mobile phone policy.

The Code

This Code relates to student behaviours and sets expectations that the College has for its students in the following key areas:

- Academic conduct
- Attendance
- Equity, respect and fairness
- Use and care of College resources
- College reputation.

1. Academic Conduct

Students are expected to:

- Conduct themselves honestly and in compliance with College policies.
- Not engage in plagiarism or other academic misconduct.
- Actively participate in the learning process.
- Refrain from behaviour which would interrupt the work of any class or hinder the learning opportunities of other students.
- Submit assessment tasks on time, unless unforeseen or exceptional circumstances arise.
- Avoid any action or behaviour that would unfairly advantage or disadvantage either themselves or another student.
- Ensure the proper use of copyright material.
- Ensure their activities are conducted safely and do not place others at risk of harm.

2. Attendance

Students are expected to:

- Be punctual and present at all lessons.
- Remain at the College during the school day unless otherwise approved or permitted.
- Attend compulsory College functions and events such as the Easter Services, inter house swimming and athletics, award nights, camps and work experience.

3. Equity, Respect and Fairness

Students are expected to:

- Treat all College staff, other students, and visitors to the College with courtesy, tolerance and respect.
- Respect the rights of others to be treated equitably, free from all forms of discrimination, bullying, harassment and abuse, including sexual harassment.
- Respect the rights of others to express their views and not engage in behaviour that could reasonably be considered to be offensive to others.
- Not to engage in any form of cyber bullying or cyber abuse.
- Not to send inappropriate, offensive or explicit text messages, photos or videos.
- Respect the privacy and confidentiality of others by not sharing personal information without their consent or agreement.

4. Use and Care of College Resources

Students are expected to:

- Use and care for all College resources, such as buildings, equipment and grounds, information and communication technology resources, in a responsible manner.
- Not engage in behaviour that causes damage to College property.

5. College Reputation

Students are expected to:

- Show pride in the achievement of themselves and the College.
- Uphold the reputation of the College by demonstrating appropriate standard of behaviour in transit to and from the College and when wearing College uniform.
- Ensure their actions or inactions as a student do not harm, or bring into disrepute, the College's reputation or good standing.
- Dress neatly in accordance with the College' uniform policy.

Discipline

Behaviour contrary to the Student Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action including (but not limited to) suspension or exclusion. Students should appreciate that serious offences such as assault, theft, wilful damage and other unlawful activities are highly likely to attract exclusion.

For minor breaches of the Code of Conduct students will receive a warning asking them to rectify their behaviour. This warning may take the form of a verbal reminder of the expected behaviour, send outs or demerits.

Suspension is likely for consistent minor breaches of the Code of Conduct.

Students should be aware that where a student's conduct breaks the law, the matter will be reported to the Police, in addition to any action taken by the College for such offence.

Reporting Concerns

If you are concerned about the health, safety and wellbeing of another student please have a conversation with your Head of Year.

Complaints

If you have a complaint, please have a conversation with your Teacher or Head of Year. If your Teacher or Head of Year is unable to resolve your issue, then you may lodge a complaint with the College. We commit to dealing with this complaint according to our Complaints Handling Policy.