



ORANGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Student Code of Conduct

INTRODUCTION

The aim of this Code is to ensure that the school is a safe and effective place in which learning takes place; that students develop self-discipline and consideration for others; and that the property and reputation of the school is protected.

The vision of the school, *to raise up effective leaders of godly character who will blend academic achievement and biblical truth, to influence society for the glory of God,* will come about as each student, with God's help, fulfills his or her responsibilities with integrity, and respects the rights of others in the school and community.

The important things are living right with God, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. Anyone who serves Christ by living this way is pleasing God and will be accepted by other people. So let us try to do what makes peace and helps one another. Romans 14:17b-19.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

<p>General Behaviour:</p> <p>Obey all school rules.</p> <p>Maintain a neat appearance; wear full school uniform, including sports uniform when required.</p> <p>Behave safely and courteously; also travelling to and from school.</p> <p>Uphold the reputation of the school by behaving appropriately when wearing school uniform, or engaged in off-campus school activities.</p> <p>Students are not permitted to possess or smoke cigarettes; possess, use or be under the influence of alcohol or non-prescribed drugs, or other substances harmful to health whilst wearing school uniform or engaged in any off-campus school activities.</p>	<p>Behaviour Towards Others:</p> <p>Show respect at all times for teachers, other school staff and visitors to the school.</p> <p>Treat other students with dignity and respect.</p> <p>Respect the learning needs of other students.</p> <p>Do not disrupt class activities or impede others' learning.</p> <p>Behave in a manner which does not endanger the health and safety of yourself or others.</p> <p>Respect the authority of members of staff.</p> <p>Report any dangerous activity to the teachers.</p> <p>Report any incidents of bullying; cooperate with staff in investigation of disciplinary cases.</p> <p>Accept correction in a respectful manner.</p>
<p>Attitude to Property:</p> <p>Care for property belonging to yourself, the school and others.</p> <p>Remain out of the buildings during recess and lunchtime, unless supervised by teacher or authorized staff member.</p> <p>Follow all safety rules, such as: do not climb on buildings, trees or unsuitable equipment; do not run inside or where there are many people about.</p> <p>Play safely in designated areas.</p>	<p>Attitude Towards School and Learning:</p> <p>Attend every school day, unless legally excused.</p> <p>Be in class on time, with all materials and ready to learn.</p> <p>Take responsibility for your own learning: complete work set by teachers promptly and to the best of your ability, including homework and other assignments.</p> <p>Take full advantage of the opportunities offered by the school.</p> <p>Ensure all school communications are delivered to parents.</p> <p>Follow instructions.</p>

EVERY STUDENT HAS THE RIGHT TO:

<p>Be safe and to feel secure in school</p> <p>Learn in an interesting environment</p> <p>Develop their God-given talents, interests and ambitions positively without intimidation</p> <p>Work to the best of their ability</p> <p>Be treated with respect by other students and school staff</p> <p>Be listened to</p>

BREACH OF THE STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

BEHAVIOUR THAT INFRINGES ON THE SAFETY OF OTHERS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED

This includes:

- Harassment, bullying, illegal or anti-social behaviour of any kind
- Dangerous activities and violence
- Intimidating behaviour
- Cyber bullying

The School Principal and staff members accept their obligation to fairly, reasonably and consistently enforce the requirements of the Student Code of Conduct. It is school policy to advise parents of all serious or persistent breaches of school rules. (OCS Welfare and Discipline Policy)

ACTION WHICH MAY BE TAKEN WHERE THE CODE OF CONDUCT IS BREACHED

Wherever possible, action is aimed to assist the student to achieve **self-discipline**, and to assist with problems which may underlie the unacceptable behaviour. Where appropriate, action is taken as a direct consequence of the misbehaviour.

In general, teachers will deal with instances of unacceptable behaviour in the classroom; cases of persistent or extreme misconduct may be referred to section coordinators. **Section coordinators** are responsible for the general overview of discipline. The Deputy Principal will exercise overview of discipline procedures of the school as a whole.

Disciplinary action may include:

Discussion:	With student, and/ or parents Referral to school Chaplain
Setting of tasks:	Service to the school in line with the infringement
Detention:	Up to half of any recess period; or for up to 45 minutes after school Parents will be given notice of any after school detention at least one day in advance.
Withdrawal:	Exclusion from a school activity Restriction to certain parts of the school grounds
Cost of repair:	The school may bill the student for all or part of the cost of repair, or replacement
Suspension:	Set period of disciplinary non-attendance at school
Probationary enrolment:	Set period of enrolment, conditional upon improved behaviour
Expulsion:	The school discontinues the enrolment of the student

COMPLAINTS

Any decision of the School, with which a student, or his or her parents, does not agree, may be reviewed by following the procedure set out in the school's Grievance Policy.

Note:

The Student Code of Conduct may be varied at any time by the Principal in consultation with the Executive team.

I have read and agree with the standards and requirements of this Code of Conduct:

Parent: _____ Student: _____

School Representative: _____ Date: _____