

## Student Code of Conduct

### Introduction

At St Gregory's College Campbelltown we recognise that effective learning can only occur in a secure environment where the rights and responsibilities of others are known and respected and where standards and rules are fairly and consistently applied.

This Student Code of Conduct has been developed to clearly set out standards of behaviour that students are expected to meet.

Managing the Code of Conduct is a shared responsibility between the student, parents/guardians and the College. All students and families have ready access to support offered by College teachers and staff.

### Values

Students are expected to uphold the values of St Gregory's College Campbelltown. Our values are:

The College's Code of Conduct is underpinned by our overriding philosophy.

The purpose of the College is to provide and promote holistic education which strives to enhance the spiritual, intellectual, social, cultural and physical potential of young people.

We believe the College family has a unique spirit with a sense of belonging and seeks to develop this even further. We take up the challenge to impart the qualities that will provide a source of strength to each individual, enabling them to take an active and responsible role in society in the spirit of the Gospel as expressed in the College motto

"As you sow, so shall you reap"

This Code of Conduct provides guidance on the responsibilities of our college, our employees and any third party acting on our behalf.

Responsibility in this context means that each individual takes responsibility for their actions. High ethical standards flow from the concept of us being "responsible" for our actions.

Each individual who is a part of our college is expected to take responsibility for their own actions. This is a key part of our operational process.

There is no right way to do the wrong thing. Behaving in an ethical manner and in accordance with our key values is vital to the St Gregory's College's success. Applying this Code of Conduct ensures our college maintains a high ethical standard which reinforces one of our key assets, our reputation.

These values are to be upheld in the way you conduct yourself not only in the College, but also the community.

### Rights and Responsibilities of Staff and Students

St Gregory's College is a Catholic school in the Marist tradition, where I am valued as a unique person within a loving faith community. As a student I have rights, but I can only have those rights if I support the rights of others. The rules and regulations of the College community are founded upon these rights and responsibilities.

#### As a student I have the following rights Values

#### My rights come with the following responsibilities; I need to:

To feel I am in a safe, happy school community where I am treated with respect and understanding and where difference is valued

Respect  
Understanding  
Love  
Acceptance  
Resilience  
Harmony  
Tolerance  
Inclusion  
Freedom

Ensure that I act in a way that keeps myself and others safe

- Care for the physical and emotional wellbeing of others
- Be inclusive
- Treat others with courtesy
- Follow teacher instructions

Examples:  
Observe the "hands off" policy Comply with safety rules in and outside classrooms  
Remain in supervised areas. Line up for teachers at the classroom door and greet them at the beginning of a lesson.

To learn from my teachers and to develop and nurture a lifelong love of learning

Respect  
Commitment  
Persistence  
Responsibility

- Listen attentively and respectfully in class
- Follow teacher instructions
- Actively participate in the range of learning activities made available to me
- Give my best effort
- Complete homework, assignments and assessment tasks
- Enable others to learn without distraction
- Obtain and maintain all resources for each subject.

Examples:  
Submit tasks by due dates  
Arrive to class on time.  
Be prepared with all work and resources.  
Avoid moving about the classroom or creating noise unless instructed to do so.

To share a vision for a just and honest environment

Integrity  
Faith  
Justice  
Courage  
Service  
Honesty  
Trustworthiness

- Try to be Christ-like, by imitating the actions of Jesus we find in the Gospels
- Give others a "Fair Go"
- Take responsibility for the consequences of my actions
- Care for the person and property of others
- Speak and act with integrity and courage
- Through my words and actions, help to develop a sense of unity of purpose in our Christian Community
- Be responsible for the security of my property

To receive open and regular communication regarding events and issues in the College

Diligence  
Responsibility  
Integrity  
Honesty

- Listen carefully to messages
- Ensure all correspondence between the school and my parents is delivered
- Use my diary to record information
- Attend meetings and information nights as required

Examples: Give my parents all notes sent from school  
Return any correspondence promptly to teachers  
Read information on notice boards and on the College website Listen attentively to daily notices and to messages at assemblies.

To enjoy a clean and attractive College environment

Respect  
Responsibility  
Stewardship

- Care for the College resources and environment
- Make sure all litter goes into bins
- Do my part in keeping the property of others free of defacing marks
- Leave chewing gum and marking texts at home
- Maintain the best appearance of textbooks, computers and other resources

To enjoy safe travel to and from the College

Safety  
Respect

- Follow community rules of safety
- Follow the instructions of those responsible for my safety

	Responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be aware of the comfort and safety of those around me</li> <li>• Obtain necessary travel passes</li> </ul> <p>Examples: Be a good role model Uphold the College reputation</p>
To have access to College resources and opportunities	Commitment Pride Generosity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain the good image of the College when representing the College in the community</li> <li>• Participate fully in College Masses, Liturgies, sporting events, fundraising activities and other special events</li> </ul> <p>Examples: Wear the College uniform correctly and neatly (see Student Diary) Present neatly groomed</p>
To be a member of a loving faith community	Love Charity Acceptance Grace Compassion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respect the Catholic Marist traditions of St Gregory's College</li> <li>• Participate eagerly and appropriately in the various forms of prayer and liturgical life of the College</li> <li>• Nurture my own faith development by engaging properly in the Religious Education Curriculum</li> <li>• Respect the range of expressions of Faith in our Community</li> <li>• Contribute to the lived expression of our Faith Community through participation in a variety of Social Justice initiatives.</li> </ul> <p>Examples: Participates in Daily Prayer, College and Class Liturgies, Retreats and Reflection days Support a range of Social Justice Initiatives e.g. Lenten appeal, door knock appeals Approach Religious Education classes as an opportunity to grow both academically and spiritually through an enhanced understanding of faith.</p>

**College Rules and Policies**

Students are expected to abide by College rules and policies, as well as the directions of teachers.

**Breach of Code of Conduct**

A breach of this code of conduct will be dealt with according to our **Student Discipline Policy**.

**Related Policies**

- College Rules**
- Alcohol (Students)**
- Bullying Prevention & Intervention**
- Cyber Safety**
- Drugs - Illicit (Student Use Of)**
- Information & Communication Technology**
- Mobile Phones (Student Use Of)**
- Truancy**
- Uniform Policy**
- Student Leadership Policy**