

Grace Christian School – Student Code of Conduct for Grades 7 – 12

A Culture of Restoration

The school endeavors to create a culture of young growing Christians who exchange the lies of the enemy for the good and beautiful life of obedience promised by God in which we can best educate leaders who have a passion for Jesus Christ. However, we know that because of the lure of the enemy, students will stumble in sin. Through these policies we aim to respond biblically with love through repentance, forgiveness, and restoration (Gal 6:1) and to create a school climate in which teenagers will talk through trials and temptations with their parents and other Christian adults. We trust that God will work this discipline together for His good and that these events can have a profoundly positive and spiritual impact on the student when handled with grace and truth by parents and the school (Heb 12:11, Rom 8:28).

Student Commitment

Please read, discuss and have the student initial each commitment statement below:

- _____ I understand my **Student Code of Conduct** is applicable both on and off campus, including evenings, weekends, holidays, and all school breaks (Christmas, Spring, and Summer).
- _____ I will do all my own work with academic honesty and abstain from any form of cheating and plagiarism (Prov 3:1-4; 2 Tim 2:15; Ex 20:16).
- _____ I will enjoy life without using any form of tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, meth, spice, inhalants, vaping/juuling devices or any other illegal substance (Eph 5:18, Prov. 25:28; 1 Peter 4:7; 1 Peter 5:8)
- _____ I will abstain from sexual misconduct, including any types of pornography, choosing instead to honor biblical principles for beautiful relationships (1 Thess 4:1-8; I Cor 6:15-20).
- _____ I will not steal, but instead will work hard so that I can share with those in need (Ex 20:15; Eph 4:28).
- _____ I will abstain from physical violence and threats of violence and will not possess weapons on campus or at any school-related function or use weapons inappropriately off campus, choosing instead to forgive others and to solve conflict according to God's plan (Eph 4:29-32; Titus 3:1,2; Matt 18: 15-17).
- _____ If I violate my **Student Code of Conduct** at any time, I will immediately self-disclose in a timely manner, confess, and repent to God, my parents, and my school Superintendent or Principal or designee. With humility and dignity, I will accept the discipline these authorities deem necessary (1 John 1:9; Rom 13:1-5; 1 Pet 4:15-19).

Self-Disclosure Policy

If a student violates the **Student Code of Conduct**, the student should self-disclose, confess, and repent to God, parents and the Superintendent, Principal or designee. If such a student self-discloses to the school in a timely fashion, the student may experience much lighter discipline and be on a much

quicker path to restoration. A student violation or violations of the **Student Code of Conduct** that is self-disclosed may result in the following potential discipline:

1. The student being suspended for up to five (5) school days
2. The student being allowed to make up schoolwork missed due to a suspension
3. The student being ineligible for all practices, rehearsals, meetings, competitions, performances, and other school activities for one full week from the day of his/her suspension, and in accordance with ASAA guidelines

If the student and parents wish to continue at Grace Christian School, the student will be reinstated after serving the above consequences and participating in a parent-student meeting with the Superintendent or Principal or designee. However, ambassador and leadership privileges will be evaluated and may be restricted at that meeting.

A student who has a subsequent violation of the **Student Code of Conduct** with Self-Disclosure would follow the Re-Application guidelines in the Student Handbook.

No Self-Disclosure Policy

If a student violates the **Student Code of Conduct** and DOES NOT follow the Self-Disclosure Policy, such violation or violations of the **Student Code of Conduct** that are NOT self-disclosed may result in the following potential discipline:

1. The student being suspended for up to 10 school days
2. The student NOT be allowed to make up homework missed on suspension days, receiving zeros on all such assignments (but will be allowed to make up quizzes, tests or other large projects)
3. The student losing all ambassador and leadership privileges for 6 months, i.e. removed from sports, chapel leadership, missions teams and memberships to include Student Council and NHS and other non-graded activities

If the student and parents wish to continue at Grace Christian School, they must appear in a parent-student meeting with the Superintendent or Principal or designee to present their case. For severe offenses including, but not limited to, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons, threats of violence, pornography, theft, or sexual misconduct, the parent and student must appear before the Staff and Student Committee of the School Board.

A student who has a subsequent violation of the **Student Code of Conduct** without Self-Disclosure may be expelled from school. The student would be eligible for the Re-Application Process after a full and clean semester in good standing at another school. The parents may request a hearing with the Staff and Student Committee.

Understanding that every case has its special circumstances, Grace Christian School reserves the right to apply appropriate disciplinary action based on an individualized evaluation of the conduct and the student involved, and to expel a student upon the first or subsequent offense.

I have read and discussed with my parents the above Student Code of Conduct, the Student/Parent/School Partnership Agreement and the Student Handbook. I agree to support and abide by them during enrollment at Grace Christian School.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date