BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT

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LAUNCESTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT POLICY

THE GOALS OF THIS POLICY ARE

- 1. To guarantee the rights of all staff and students by providing a behaviour expectations code that establishes rules and regulations prohibiting speech or action that is disruptive to the work of the school
- 2. To guarantee the rights of each individual through fair and reasonable treatment of violators of the behaviour expectations code
- 3. To teach self-discipline by clearly communicating to students their rights and responsibilities outlined in the behaviour expectations
- 4. To respect the rights and personal dignity of all students and staff by providing a behaviour expectations code that will ensure a safe school environment
- 5. To comply with federal, state and local laws
- 6. To protect and maintain school property
- 7. To ensure all students the right to complete the course of study prescribed by the education authorities
- 8. To reduce the occurrence of discipline problems through supportive measures to the behaviour expectations code by providing for:
 - An atmosphere within the school of mutual respect and productive interdependence
 - An Instructional Support Program to address issues of children at risk, socially, emotionally and academically
 - Use of diagnostic and prescriptive learning activities geared to the unique attitudes, abilities and interests of students
 - Referral to appropriate personnel for counselling, examination and such other rehabilitative measures as may be necessary.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Student responsibilities include regular school attendance, conscientious effort in classroom work, and conformance to school rules and regulations. Most of all, students share with the Administration and Staff a responsibility to develop a climate within the school that is conducive to wholesome living and learning. No student has the right to interfere with the education of his/her fellow students. It is the responsibility of each student to respect the rights of all who are involved in the educational process.

Every student should:

- Be aware of all rules and regulations for student behaviour and conduct oneself in accordance with them
- Be willing to volunteer information and cooperate with school staff should he or she have important information concerning a violation of school rules
- Assume that a rule is always in effect unless everyone has been notified that it has been changed
- Assist the school staff in running a safe school for all students
- Attempt to satisfactorily complete all subjects taken

EXPECTATIONS AND CONSEQUENCES

LEVEL I BEHAVIOURS

Launceston Christian School students shall not:

- Interfere with the education of another student the orderly operation of the school or a function
- Exhibit disruptive behaviour
- Speak in a way that teases, hurts, or harasses others
- Fail to follow all classroom rules
- Bring electronic equipment to school other than that specifically approved such as a lap-top computer or calculator etc,
- Disobey adult directions
- Be late to school, class or regular assignment without a written excuse
- Be absent from school without a signed note from parent/guardian
- Fail to wear correct school uniform
- Dress in a manner that jeopardises the health or safety of others
- Dress in a manner that interferes with the educational process or causes disorder
- Wear clothes that exhibit anti-authority themes, sexual content, or show a controlled or illegal substance or wear briefer loose fitting tank tops, muscle shirts, running shorts, bare midriff tops, or exposed underwear on free dress days
- Use inappropriate language
- Bring chewing gum to the College
- Have in their possession any medication prescription or non-prescription. (This should be left with the front office staff. Exceptions to this rule can only be made if there are circumstances that make it imperative that medication is immediately available. Application for such an exemption must be made to the Principal in writing.)

CONSEQUENCES of LEVEL I MISBEHAVIOUR

One or more of the following:

- · Teacher warning or reprimand
- Teacher detention
- Parent notification
- Parent conference
- · Administrative warning or reprimand
- Behaviour contract
- An afternoon detention

LEVEL II BEHAVIOURS

Launceston Christian School students shall not:

- Fail to follow the Computer/Technology Code of Ethics
- Act in a disrespectful or defiant manner toward any school personnel
- Lie, cheat, destroy the work of others or commit forgery
- Absent themselves from class or be absent from a school function without the permission of a staff member
- Physically fight with or harass another student
- Commit minor theft of school property or personal property (restitution included with any consequence)
- Cause minor vandalism to school property or personal property (restitution included with any consequence
- Participate in any gambling activity
- Bring to school, carry or handle dangerous objects
- Act in a way that endangers the safety of themselves or others
- Use profanity, abusive language, racial ethnic, religious or sexually derogatory terms: or obscene gestures
- Use school facilities or property without permission
- Violate Level I behaviours or other stated rules while attending a class trip; other field trip or school programme
- Violate the Level I behaviours while being supervised by a relief teacher
- Miss a scheduled school detention
- Enter into buildings and/or areas which are out of bounds without the permission of a staff member

CONSEQUENCES of LEVEL II MISBEHAVIOUR (or continued Level I misbehaviour)

<u>Parent notification</u> and one or more of the following <u>actions</u> shall be taken for misbehaviour of Level II:

- 2 or more afternoon detentions
- 1-3 day suspension either internal or external
- Behaviour contract

LEVEL III BEHAVIOURS

Launceston Christian School students shall not:

- Threaten or strike a staff member
- Endanger the safety of others with a bomb threat; make threatening or illegal telephone calls; or make unauthorised use of fire alarm equipment
- Cause significant vandalism to school or personal property
- Possess or use tobacco products on school grounds; whilst in school uniform; or at school functions
- Possess or use controlled or illegal substances such as alcohol or other drugs whilst in school uniform; on school grounds or at school functions
- Possess or use any weapon on school grounds or at school functions
- Exhibit lewd indecent exposure or commit an indecent or sexual act
- Commit major theft of school or personal property (Restitution shall be included with any consequence)
- Commit aggravated assault; which causes injury to another person
- · Break into any school building or vehicle

CONSEQUENCES of LEVEL III MISBEHAVIOUR (or continued Level II misbehaviour)

<u>Parent notification</u> and <u>one or more</u> of the following <u>actions</u> shall be taken for misbehaviour of Level III:

- Up to two weeks suspension
- Loss of privileges
- Expulsion
- Referral to law enforcement authorities
- Referral Department of Community Services

STUDENT BEHAVIOUR FLOW CHART

STAGE 0

Student in Good Standing

STAGE 1

Teacher

STAGE 2

Head of School

STAGE 3

Principal

(See next Page for full flowchart)

Stage 0 - Student in good standing

Stage 1 - Class and subject teacher

Stage 2 - Head of School

Stage 3 - Principal

Stage 0 - Students operate within the norms of acceptable behaviour and working habits

