

Appendix 2. Secondary Student Community Agreement (Student Code of Conduct)

As a Christian learning community, we hold that all people have the right to be treated with love, kindness, and respect, for all are created equal, made in the image of God (Genesis 1:26-27). We take seriously Christ's call to love God, love our neighbours as ourselves, and to do to others what we would have them do to us (Matthew 7:12 & 27: 37 – 40).

These beliefs shape the culture of Southern Hills Christian College with the implicit high standards and expectations of all its students, their attitudes, learning, behaviour and interactions with others.

The SCEA Student Community Agreement (Code of Conduct) clearly outlines the rights and responsibilities of each student as valued members of the learning community with respect to their academic and personal conduct. All students are expected and encouraged to strive towards consistently upholding this agreement and can expect to be commended for abiding by it and held accountable for any actions that breach it.

As a member of the student body at Southern Hills Christian College:

I agree that I should...	I agree to...
Be able to learn in a safe, secure, and supportive environment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Act and speak with staff and fellow students in ways that make them feel safe and supported. • Be inclusive of others in learning and social activities, ensuring they feel valued. • At no time threaten, harass, assault, bully, or support the bullying of other students, including online. • Take full responsibility for my own actions and words and any corresponding consequences.
Be treated fairly, with respect, courtesy, and dignity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat all others as I would want to be treated, showing others respect, politeness, consideration, and appreciation. • Be understanding, respectful and tolerant of differences in others including their culture and beliefs. • Use positive and kind language, avoiding hurtful or discouraging words. • Appreciate and celebrate the achievements of others. • Follow all reasonable requests and directions given by a staff member.
Be taught and appropriately supported so that I can learn effectively.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply myself in learning to the best of my ability including undertaking homework and revision as required. • Allow my teachers to teach and fellow students to learn by actively engaging and contributing to lessons and avoiding disruptive behaviour. • Be ready for learning, having all my books and equipment ready and being punctual to class. • Ensure that all work I produce is mine and is not plagiarised, copied from others, or created by artificial intelligence (unless expressly allowed by the teacher).

<p>Belong to, have a valued voice in, and contribute positively to, the school community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behave and speak in a manner that supports the positive reputation of the School/College. • Demonstrate respect for the Christian character and practices of the College, along with the beliefs of others. • Show appreciation to those I learn from and learn with, valuing ideas and contributions that promote good discussion. • Abide by the College's uniform policy, wearing the correct uniform consistently and being neat in my personal appearance, aware that I am representing the College whenever in uniform, on and off-site. • Give my time and effort in assisting those in need.
<p>Have others respect my privacy, personal boundaries, and property.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a responsible user of the internet and social media, abiding by the signed ICT User Agreement, and following rules concerning the use of mobile phones and other devices. • At no time share sensitive information about others that is personal with anyone else without their permission, respecting their privacy and confidentiality. • At no time engage, or give the appearance to engage, with other students in a sexual way or in inappropriate physical displays of affection while on College grounds, at College-related events, or wearing the College's uniform. • At no time supply, use or support the use of harmful or illegal substances, including tobacco, drugs, e-cigarettes/vapes or alcohol while on College grounds, at College-related events, or wearing the College's uniform. • Demonstrate care for my personal property, the property of others, the property of the College and that of the surrounding neighbourhood, with no deliberate damaging, vandalising or destroying of property.

At the time of Enrolment

PARENTS/CARERS

After reading this agreement and discussing it with your child, please sign below, and return it to College.

I have discussed the Agreement with my child, and I believe my child will do his/her best to follow the Agreement. I have also reinforced the need to speak with a trusted adult, (e.g., parent or teacher) to seek advice on how to deal with a problem.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____