

# Mark Oliphant College B-12

# **CODE OF CONDUCT**

The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to ensure that Mark Oliphant College is a safe and productive environment where meaningful learning and development is our focus.

The Code of Conduct is a companion document to the Behaviour Management Policy and Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy and documents our explicit expectations based on our Mutual Obligations with our students and their families.

Students of Mark Oliphant College are expected to comply with the Code of Conduct at all times whilst at school or representing the school.

#### PLEASE READ THIS DOCUMENT CAREFULLY AND SIGN THE AGREEMENT

# All students have the right to

- feel safe within the school
- learn in a challenging and innovative environment
- be treated with respect by other students and teachers
- be listened to
- be treated fairly and consistently
- be provided access to an appropriate range of learning content and opportunities

# All students have the responsibility to

- **Represent** the school positively in the community at all times by demonstrating an appropriate standard of behaviour when moving to and from the school and when wearing school uniform.
- Treat others with respect
- Behave in a manner which does not endanger the health and safety of themselves or others.
- **Behave** with courtesy and consideration for others. In particular, students must refrain from all forms of bullying and harassment.
- Refrain from behaviour which would interrupt the learning of any class or hinder the learning opportunities of other students.
- Respect school property and the property of staff and other students. (Students who bring personal communication and electronic devices to school do so at their own risk. We expect that during lesson times these will only be used for learning purposes if instructed by the teacher.)
- Attend every day- unless genuinely ill (The school must be notified as soon as possible and a medical certificate is required for absences lasting more than three days or if the absence occurs on a day where it prevents the student from meeting a SACE assessment deadline)
- Be punctual and attend all classes.
- Remain in the school grounds during the school day.
- **Complete** work set by teachers to the best of their ability and within the required deadline provided to take full advantage of the diverse educational opportunities offered at Mark Oliphant College.



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- **Comply** with the school uniform policy. Students out of uniform or wearing visible inappropriate additional items (e.g. Coloured T-shirts and jumpers visible from under the uniform) will be required to change. For safety reasons any student without the correct uniform will be withdrawn from the yard at break times.
- **Use** all technology and equipment provided in a productive and appropriate manner and comply with the user agreement for all electronic devices provided by the school.
- Report any instances of bullying, including cyber-bullying, to a staff member

### **Breach of the Code of Conduct**

Low Level Breach (in the Classroom)

Classroom teachers are responsible for ensuring a safe learning environment for all of the students in their class. Depending on the circumstances of a behaviour breach, teachers may

- Relocate the seating of a student
- Provide 'Re-think' time through 'Timeout'
- Send the student to the Reflection room for the remainder of that lesson.
- Set a detention for the student allowing them make up for time wasted and incomplete work to ensure they can achieve the best possible result in the given subject

# High Level Breach

A student may be suspended (or excluded) from school if, whilst attending school, whilst travelling to or from school or whilst engaged in any school activity (including those away from the school), the student:

- · Behaves in such a way as to constitute a danger to the health of any member of the school community
- Commits any act of violence or causes any damage or destruction to property, or is knowingly involved in the theft of property
- Possesses, supplies, uses, or deliberately assists others to use illegal drugs or substances
- Repeatedly fails to comply with instructions provided by a member of staff
- Repeatedly behaves in a manner that interferes with the educational opportunities of any other student or students
- Behaves in a way which threatens the good order of the school
- Is verbally abusive toward members of staff
- Refuses to attempt set work despite support and interventions
- Engages in unacceptable discriminatory behaviour, on the basis of ethnicity, gender or religion.
- Engages in bullying and harassment Anti Bullying and Harassment Policy

Be SAFE – Be RESPECTFUL – Be RESPONSIBLE
To
Be SUCCESSFUL