

Troy Christian Schools 5th-6th Grades

Student Code of Conduct

The Purpose

The purpose for the Student Code of Conduct is to identify the necessary areas of commitment that a student must accept and follow in order to meet the educational and spiritual goals of Troy Christian Schools. Each student needs to understand that his and her behavior, attitude and relationship with others adds to the quality of the school community and Troy Christian Schools' reputation.

Biblical Expectations

We desire each student to use the Bible as a guide for dealing with life issues and relationships. The qualities of "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control," (Galatians 5:22- 24) and, "whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things," (Philippians 4:8) are scriptures for students to use in how they relate to each other and how they make decisions and choices in their lives.

Scripture tells us to stay away from certain behaviors. Students that love Jesus Christ should not participate in these behaviors and leave any situation if they occur. They include stealing, lying, gossiping, talking bad about someone, making fun of someone, cussing or using bad language, inappropriate public or private display of affection (PDA), drinking alcohol, wearing immodest clothing or acting immodestly, and being involved in any activities that do not honor Jesus. (Colossians 3:5-10, Ephesians 5:1-21, Matthew 4:10)

The Bible also tells us to obey the laws of our community, the state of Ohio, and the nation as long as that obedience does not mean disobeying God.

Troy Christian Schools Expectations

We look forward to students giving of themselves to Troy Christian Schools, using their gifts, talents and abilities to honor God and to encourage each other to become more like Christ. Our heart's desire is that each student will continue to grow in his or her walk with the Lord and live a life that is based on God's truth and standards. School, family and church all play an important role in a student's faith journey. As a student of Troy Christian Schools, it is expected that you will attend a Bible-believing church **weekly** to help you become the Christian God wants you to be. We encourage you, also, to be involved with your church's youth group or youth discipleship programs.

Living a Christ-honoring life means there are certain activities and products that a student needs to recognize are dangerous to your body and mind and not honoring to Christ. Troy Christian Schools has identified these activities and products so there is a thorough understanding of the standards and expectations for each student. Please read these carefully and be sure you understand.

1. It is dangerous for people to use certain products. Therefore, students are not to use tobacco in any form, drink alcoholic beverages, or use drugs that are not prescribed by a doctor. None of the above items are ever permitted on the TCS campus or at any event or activity in any way connected with TCS. Students are expected not to share or abuse medicines of any kind.
 - If a student should be in a situation where tobacco, alcohol, or drugs is occurring, a student needs to remove her or himself from the situation **within 15 minutes** or the

student will be disciplined. **It is the student's responsibility to show the desire not to be part of these actions or to let others think it is all right to do.**

- If a student is involved with tobacco, alcohol, or drugs, the administration will look at each situation on an individual basis and determine the discipline.
2. Gambling is giving or accepting money or other things as a result of betting. This activity is unacceptable and is viewed as an unwise use of the things God has given us.
 3. Because each person is important and a creation of God, each student is to be sensitive to special needs. Therefore, treating people badly or making fun of them because they have a different skin color, because they are from a different country, because they are a boy or a girl, or because they have a disability, is not acceptable.
 4. Weapons are not to be on school property or brought to a school activity.
 5. Vandalism or violence against property is not allowed.
 6. Students will show proper respect for members of Troy Christian Schools' faculty, staff, administration and Board of Directors.
 7. Students will not threaten to do harm to another person or do anything that will intentionally hurt another person. Students will not do mean things to other students. Students will treat boys and girls with respect.
 8. A student's locker, book bag, and other belongings on Troy Christian Schools' premises can be inspected. (Ohio Rev. Code 3313.20)
 9. Students are not allowed to have photos, pictures or magazines that are improper and they are not to give them to anyone else. To guide the students, they can ask the question, "Would I show this item to Jesus?"
 10. Being honest is the standard. Students will do their own schoolwork and be sure to give credit to sources when they write papers.
 11. Head phones, radios, personal CD players, etc. are not allowed in school, school vehicles or when participating in a school sponsored activity off-campus. Personal cell phones are to be turned off and not to be used during the school day without permission from the school office personnel.
 12. It is our school's intention to always resolve conflicts in a godly and biblical manner. We solve problems based upon the way scripture tells us in Matthew 18:15-16. Any question or complaint is to be handled by the people initially involved. If the situation isn't worked out between these people, then and only then, the problem is to be taken to the next highest person in charge. If, for example, a student has a complaint against a teacher, the proper line to follow is: student ⇒ teacher ⇒ principal ⇒ superintendent ⇒ school board. A student may request a parent's involvement at any point in this process.
 13. Students of TCS are expected to follow the Dress Code that is explained fully in the Student/Parent Handbook. A copy is available at www.troychristianschools.org. Dress will:
 - Honor and glorify the Lord
 - Reflect modesty
 - Reflect neatness and cleanliness
 - Not be a distraction to the learning environment
 - Respect cultural characteristics
 - Not be a stumbling block for others

I understand that this Code of Conduct is in effect the entire time I am enrolled as a Troy Christian student. That means 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (24/7/365) – the reputation of Troy Christian Schools is dependent, in part, on my conduct as an individual. (Dress is only during the school day and at school related activities – read dress code policy for more detail). **I have read the Code of Conduct and understand and agree with the expectations and standards and accept responsibility to follow this code. I agree to behave in a manner that is honoring to the Lord.**

Student's Last Name

Student's First Name

Grade

Student Signature

Date

New Students Only

I have not _____ I have _____ been involved in the past year with alcohol or drugs or have been involved in an illegal activity.