

Troy Christian Schools

7th-12th Grades

Student Code of Conduct

The Purpose

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

Biblical Expectations

We desire each student to use the Bible as his and her guide for dealing with life issues and relationships. The attributes 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 there are behaviors we need to abstain and flee from. They include theft, lying, dishonesty, gossip, slander, backbiting, crude, vulgar and profane language, sexual activity and/or gratification outside of the bonds of marriage, inappropriate public or private display of affection (PDA), intoxication, immodesty, and occult practices. (Colossians 3:5-10, Ephesians 5:1-21, Matthew 4:10) We are told to be under the authority of the government, which means we are expected to uphold the laws of the local community, the state of Ohio, and the nation to the extent that obedience to such laws does not require disobedience to God.

Troy Christian Schools Expectations

We look forward to students contributing positively to Troy Christian Schools, using their gifts, talents and abilities to honor God and to encourage each other to become more like Christ, being S.A.L.T. in their world now. Our heart's desire is that each student will continue to grow in his or her walk with the Lord and develop a lifestyle that is based on God's truth and principles. 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 weekly a Bible-believing church to help you grow in your walk with Christ. 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 one's physical and psychological well being and not honoring to Christ. Troy Christian Schools has outlined these activities and products so there is a thorough understanding of the standards and expectations for each student. Please read these carefully and be confident you understand.

1. Students are not to use tobacco in any form, alcoholic beverages, hallucinogenic drugs and substances (including marijuana), or narcotics not prescribed by a doctor. TCS recognizes that there are laws governing the use and distribution of these products. At no time are students of the TCS community to be in violation of those laws on or off the campus. 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 never to share or abuse prescription or non-prescription drugs or medications.

- If a student should be in a situation where alcohol, drugs, or sexual promiscuity is occurring, a student needs to remove her or himself from the premises **within 15 minutes** or disciplinary action will occur. **This is the student's responsibility to show the desire not to be part of these actions or condone these behaviors.**
 - If a student is involved with alcohol, drugs, smoking, and/or sexual promiscuity, the administration will look at each situation on an individual basis and determine the disciplinary action.
2. Gambling (exchange of money and/or goods by betting) is an unwise use of the resources God has given us. Gambling is not acceptable in any form on school grounds or at school activities.
 3. Because each person is important and a creation of God, each student is expected to be sensitive to special needs existing on our campus. Discrimination against, or harassment of others on basis of race, national origin, gender or disability is not acceptable.
 4. Any kind of humiliating acts, threat of violence, physical attack, or inappropriate sexual advance directed toward another person will not be tolerated. Weapons are not to be on school property or brought to a school function.
 5. Students will be respectful of TCS property and possessions of others. Vandalism or violence is not tolerated.
 6. Students will show proper respect for members of Troy Christian Schools' faculty, staff, administration and Board of Directors.
 7. Verbal or written threats to students and staff are not tolerated.
 8. A student's locker, book bag, car and other belongings on Troy Christian Schools' premises can be inspected.
 9. Pornographic products or materials of any sort are not to be used, possessed, or distributed on or away from campus.
 10. Students are to display integrity, honesty, responsibility and diligence in their academics and relationships. Students are always to give credit to sources in their schoolwork.
 11. Head phones, radios, personal CD players, etc. are prohibited on school grounds, 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 desire students to utilize a problem-solving policy based upon principles given in Matthew 18:15-16. If a student has a question, issue or concern with another student, teacher, coach or staff person, the student is to go to the person initially involved. If satisfaction or resolution is not attained, the student is to go to the next highest level of authority. If, for example, a student has a concern with a teacher, the proper procedure to follow is: student ⇒ teacher ⇒ principal ⇒ superintendent ⇒ school board. A student may request a parent's involvement at any point in this process. Counselors are available for guidance and help.
 13. Students are expected to follow the Dress Code. A copy is available at www.troychristianschools.org or in the school offices. 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 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.