

Sugar Creek Christian Academy

CODE OF CONDUCT

o PHILOSOPHY OF DISCIPLINE

Sugar Creek Christian Academy believes that discipline is a key ingredient to a successful Christian education. Rules and procedures help to define what is good, appropriate, and conducive to learning. It is imperative that students and parents understand the Code of Conduct and what is expected of all students.

o GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

- I. **RESPECT-** Behavior should demonstrate proper respect for God, school authorities, school rules and policies, school property, others, and yourself at all times.
- II. **HONESTY-** Honesty should rule in all situations including school work and all interactions and relationships with peers and school officials.
- III. **INTEGRITY-** Communication and behavior should display character that is moral and Christ-like.
- IV. **COOPERATION-** Cooperation with peers and school officials in achieving the goals of SCCA regarding conduct, performance, and attitude should be shown at all times.
- V. **EFFORT-** Everyone should use the gifts God has given them to serve Him to the best of their ability in accordance with God's Word.

o RULES AND PROCEDURES

DRESS CODE

The dress code at Sugar Creek Christian Academy applies to all programs sponsored by the school. Its purpose is to create an environment that promotes the development of character qualities laid forth in the Holy Scriptures. We believe dress should be governed by the following principles:

- I. **MODESTY-** Individual's dress should be that attention is not drawn to the body. Clothing designed to attract attention is both distracting and ungodly. Students are to dress with purity in mind. Formfitting garments, revealing necklines, short skirts, tops that expose the midriff, see through materials, sleeveless shirts, and shorts are not permitted.
- II. **SAFETY-** Certain styles of clothing or types of shoes can cause injury. For this reason flip-flops and opened toed shoes are not permitted.
- III. **HYGIENE-** A part of student's education is the science of health and its maintenance. There are basic principles that promote health, sanitation, and the prevention of disease. For this reason students should wear appropriate shoes and undergarments and maintain a clean and neat appearance.
- IV. **APPROPRIATENESS-** Students should live and exemplify then standards and principles taught in the Bible and in the school therefore clothing which promotes immoral themes, satanic symbols, secular music, pop culture, or sports teams are not to be worn at school or school functions. *Please note: We cannot anticipate changes in styles that occur during the school year nor can -we list every clothing item that is unacceptable. SCCA reserves the right to make clarifications and changes during the school year that are in accordance with the above standards.* **TOBACCO, ALCOHOL, DRUGS**

SCCA maintains a "zero" tolerance for tobacco, alcohol, and drugs. Any student having these in possession or using these items will be expelled from school.

FIGHTING

SCCA believes that fighting is not the way to deal with conflict according to the Bible. Therefore, anyone engaging in a fight will be suspended and or expelled from school. **CLASSROOM**

Teachers at SCCA have the authority to make and enforce a set of rules for their class. These classroom rules are approved by the Principal and each student is expected to follow them. The teacher has the ability to administer punishment within the classroom at his or her discretion. Serious or chronic problems will be referred to the Principal. SCCA has the following expectations of students in the classroom:

1. Respect teachers, aids, and peers at all times.
2. Have necessary supplies needed for the class.
3. Maintain a Christian attitude in all situations.
4. Listen and follow instructions of the classroom teacher.
5. Respect and care for their property, the property of others, and school property.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTACT

Wholesome friendships are encouraged between boys and girls. However, students are to look upon one another as brothers and sisters in Christ and refrain from demonstrating personal affection at school and all school activities.

FORBIDDEN ITEMS AT SCHOOL

The following items are not to be brought to school: Knives, Guns, Cell phones, Electronic Devices, Hand held games, Animals

o DISCIPLINE PLAN

The following plan will be used when students commit offenses against the rules and procedures of SCCA.

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| 1 st offense | Informal conference with student. |
| 2 nd offense | Formal conference with student and school officials. Plan of action to change behavior developed and a contract agreement signed by student and school officials. |
| 3 rd offense | Formal conference with student and parents. Plan of action to discipline and change the behavior developed and a contract agreement signed by student, parent, and school officials. |
| 4 th offense | Formal conference with parents to discuss the following options: Detention, Suspension, or Expulsion. |

o CORPORAL PUNISHMENT POLICY

Sugar Creek Christian Academy believes that corporal punishment should be administered by the parents or guardians of the student therefore SCCA will not administer corporal punishment as a form of discipline.

o CODE OF CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE AGREEMENT

I have read the Code of Conduct of Sugar Creek Christian Academy and understand that these rules and procedures are in place to ensure that SCCA is a place where students are safe, accepted, encouraged, disciplined and trained. I realize that SCCA will strictly enforce these rules and procedures, thereby give— authority to the teachers and administrators of SCCA to discipline my child according to this code. I also agree to take an active part in this discipline and uphold this code of conduct to my child(ren).

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____