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Code of Conduct – Student

Scope

This code applies to all students enrolled at Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College.

Purpose

Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College is committed to ensuring a respectful learning environment that is safe, positive and supportive for all students at the College.

It is the intention of Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College to provide clear guidelines to all students regarding the conduct expected of them whilst at school, engaging in college related activities or representing the College. Students must uphold the College's core values at all times.

The **Student Code of Conduct** is framed within the guidelines set by Government policy and legal obligations and reflects the goals of Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College.

Students are accountable for their misconduct. Any misconduct may be subject to disciplinary action by the College.

Application

This Code applies to all College students. The application of this Code is not limited to the College site and College hours. It extends to all activities and events that are College-related and when representing or acting on behalf of the College. The Code also requires that student actions do not bring the College into disrepute at any time regardless of whether the action occurs within or outside of college activities.

Compliance with this **Student Code of Conduct** is a policy of the College. It is binding on all students. It is expected that students are mindful of their role as ambassadors for themselves, their family, and their college.

Definition of a 'Student'

For the purposes of this policy, a 'Student' at Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College shall be considered to be a current student of Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College until they withdraw from the College and are no longer enrolled or in the case of Year 12 Students the day after they officially sign out of the College.



Conduct and Bearing of All Students

It is expected that every student will:

- Uphold the College's core values at all times.

Core Values

1. Compassion
 2. Integrity
 3. Justice
 4. Faith
 5. Courage
 6. Wisdom
- behave in a manner that does not endanger the health, safety and wellbeing of themselves or others.
 - abide by all health and safety rules and procedures operating within the College and other locations which the students may visit.
 - ensure that their actions do not bring the College into disrepute.
 - uphold the good reputation of the College by observing an appropriate standard of behaviour in transit to and from the College and when wearing College uniform.
 - respect the authority of members of staff and observe College rules as required.
 - strictly adhere to the College's policies and procedures as required.
 - be respectful and supportive of the College's beliefs and values.
 - behave with courtesy and consideration for others. Students must refrain from all forms of bullying and harassment.
 - refrain from behaviour which would interrupt the work of any class or hinder the learning opportunities of other students.
 - refrain from activities, conduct or communication that would reasonably be seen to undermine the reputation of the College, employees or students at the College (including activities on social media).
 - respect College property and the property of staff, contractors, visitors and other students.
 - attend all scheduled classes on time and for the duration.
 - remain in the College grounds during the college day unless otherwise approved by the applicable teacher.
 - complete learning activities set by teachers promptly and to the best of their ability and to take full advantage of the educational opportunities offered at the College.



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- dress neatly and with due regard for health, hygiene, and safety in accordance with the College's uniform requirements – please refer to the student diary OR CALEB for specific information regarding the College uniform expectations.
- whilst engaging in activities/events which do not require academic uniform to be worn, students are expected to dress in a manner that is neat, appropriate to the occasion and not offensive to others.
- not possess, supply, or smoke cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vape-pen, vaping paraphernalia, supply or use or be under the influence of alcohol or illicit drugs or other substances harmful to health, at college, on college excursions, in transit between college and home or otherwise while wearing college uniform.
- disseminate extremist or hate based material.

Unacceptable Conduct

Unacceptable conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- touching, handling, pushing or otherwise physically or sexually engaging with students or others in a manner which is not appropriate and may endanger the health, safety and wellbeing of that person.
- any form of physical or verbal violence including fighting, assault, or threats of violence.
- the formation of or participation in any public domain such as social media sites or groups that brings the College into disrepute or involves bullying or abusive behaviours, extremist or hate groups.
- posting to social media of students in BTAC uniform where students are bringing the College into disrepute.
- posting to social media or uploading of photos or videos to cyber platforms of other students, without their consent.
- engagement in activities in person or on social media, outside of regular College hours, that may be considered bullying or harassment, negatively impact the health, mental health and wellbeing of Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College students.
- any form of cyber bullying or cyber abuse.
- sending inappropriate, offensive or explicit text messages, photos or videos.
- gambling of any form during college time, whilst undertaking College activities or whilst wearing the College uniform.
- language or conduct which is likely to offend, harass, bully, or unfairly discriminate against any student, teacher, contractor or visitor.
- theft, fraud or misuse of college resources.
- the use of inappropriate or profane words or gestures and images.
- unacceptable class attendance levels.



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- smoking, vaping, drug use, alcohol, or the supply of are not permitted at college or at any college function, excursion or activity, in transit between college and home or otherwise while wearing college uniform and could result in suspension or expulsion of a student.
- attending College, social, sporting, or other functions as a representative of the College whilst under the influence of alcohol, illicit drugs or other substances harmful to health.

Group Behaviour

If a student is a member of a group which engages in misconduct, the student will be taken to have engaged in that misconduct unless the student has taken all reasonable steps to promptly disengage from the group's misconduct upon becoming aware of it.

Reporting

It is expected that all students will report any cases to a teacher or senior staff member in confidence of unlawful behaviour or behaviour in breach of this conduct that may have been observed or reported to them.

Breach

Students who breach the **Student Code of Conduct** may be sanctioned by the observing teacher or College leadership as deemed appropriate given the nature of breach and the age of the student.

Students who continue to breach the Code will be interviewed by the applicable Head of School with the student's parents/carers. Appropriate action, which may include behavioural contracts, detention, mediation or suspension, is at the discretion of the appropriate Head of School or Principal.

The Head of School may refer the matter to the Principal, who has full discretion to act as deemed appropriate.

Rights and Responsibilities

The College Principal and staff have the right and responsibility to

- implement the **Student Code of Conduct** fairly, consistently and reasonably.



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Teachers have a right to:

- expect the cooperation of students.
- expect that they will be able to teach in an orderly and cooperative environment.
- be treated with respect; and
- be listened to.

Teachers have a responsibility to:

- treat students fairly and consistently.
- provide an appropriate range of learning strategies.
- undertake a pastoral role.
- develop in students an awareness and understanding of college rules.
- follow the agreed policies and procedures of the college; and
- communicate with parents and guardians on matters relating to the educational development and behaviour of their children.

Students have a right to:

- feel safe within the college.
- be consistently challenged to learn to the best of their ability.
- be treated with respect by other students and teachers; and
- be listened to.

Students have a responsibility to:

- always adhere to the Student Code of Conduct.
- wear the approved uniform appropriately.
- act and work cooperatively with other students and teachers.
- respect the learning needs of other students.
- take responsibility for their own learning.
- be tolerant of differences.
- be punctual and regular in attendance.
- uphold the reputation of the college by observing an appropriate standard of behaviour in transit to and from the college and when wearing college uniform.
- accept the authority of all staff members and observe college rules.
- behave in a manner to ensure the health and safety of themselves and/or others.
- behave with courtesy and consideration for others.
- refrain from all forms of bullying and harassment.
- respect their own and college property as well as the property of staff and other students.
- never possess prohibited items or substances as specified by the college.



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Parents/Guardians have a right to:

- expect that their children can interact and learn in a secure environment.
- be informed of matters regarding their children.
- be involved in developing strategies for their own child's behaviour.

Parents/Carers have a responsibility to:

- Actively and consistently support the implementation of the Student Code of Conduct
- encourage children to observe college rules.
- work cooperatively with the college to solve problems.
- provide support for teachers in implementing the code of conduct.
- communicate relevant information and concerns to the college.



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Acknowledgement

I acknowledge that I have received, read, understand, and agree with the Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College Student Code of Conduct.

I understand that I must comply with the Code as a student of Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College for the term of my enrolment at the College and understand that I may face appropriate consequences for failing to comply with this Code.

I acknowledge that I have reviewed the Student Code of Conduct with my parent/caregiver.

I understand that compliance with this Code is mandatory as a condition of my enrolment at the College.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Caregiver Acknowledgement

I acknowledge that I have received, read, understand, and agree with the Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College Student Code of Conduct.

I acknowledge that I have reviewed the Student Code of Conduct with my child.

I understand that compliance with this Code is mandatory as a condition of your child's enrolment at the College.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____