ST PIUS X COLLEGE
CHATSWOOD

Student Code of Conduct

The Student Code of Conduct is an important list of behaviour expectations underpinned by the College's Touchstones. It is based on respect for yourself, fellow students, teachers, and the greater College community and environment. If your behaviour is positive and productive, you may receive merit awards. If you break the student code of conduct, there may be consequences.

This summary provides general guidelines for students. The College reserves the right to apply other standards according to circumstances.

1. Learning expectations:

All students are supported to actively engage with their learning.

- Productive teaching and learning depend on students cooperating with their teachers and peers.
- Students are expected to complete tasks set by teachers and maintain attendance.
- Students are expected to complete assessment tasks to the best of their ability.
- Students are to fulfil the College's expectations of learning as outlined in the Student Learning Attributes in the College Diary.

2. Classroom Etiquette:

It is important that students respect the class environment of their teachers and peers without compromising the learning needs of others.

- Good manners, courtesy and respect are expected at all times.
- Students have a right to learn without being disrupted by the misconduct of others.
- Students should be well presented, prepared and prompt to their lessons.

3. Respectful Relationships:

Respect for all is a key value at the College. Students should strive to treat others with courtesy and dignity.

- Students should be considerate and inclusive of all people inside and outside the College community.
- Students should not be in possession of any article that could cause harm to others.
- Students are not to engage in any form of verbal, physical, psychological, or online bullying.
- Personal belongings are not to be interfered with at any time by other students.

- The school yard is a safe place for all students, and rough or wild games are not permitted. A hands-off policy applies at all times.
- Discrimination in all cases is not tolerated.

4. Respect for the College:

Students have a responsibility to uphold the integrity of the school environment and its reputation.

- Students should be polite and considerate towards all people in all situations.
- Possession or use of cigarettes, drugs, vapes or alcohol either at the College or when representing the College is unacceptable.
- Students should be well-groomed and presented: both at school and in view of the public.
- Students must keep their surroundings clean and tidy; any vandalism of school property is viewed as a serious offence.
- Students must not be 'out of bounds' unless approved and/or supervised by teachers.
- Students are not to misuse technology or social media to represent the College in any way. This is a breach of trust and IT guidelines.
- Students are not permitted to buy or sell items including toys, trading cards or food whilst on school grounds.

Positive behaviour will bring about positive consequences (Merit Awards in any one year):
10 Sentral Merit Entries = 1 Blue Merit Award
3 Blue Merit Awards = 1 Principal's Award
3 Principal's Awards = Edmund Rice Award

Possible Consequences for Breaching Student Code of Conduct:

- verbal and non-verbal warnings given during class
- student moved within class or seated outside of room (ref. School Policy)
- student given extra work or is to accompany a teacher on duty (recess or lunch, picking up papers, etc.)
- students placed on behaviour contract or daily monitoring card
- parents contacted (by either class teacher or Pastoral Leader – Notice of Concern Level 1)
- lunch detention or a before/after school detention (ref. School Policy), Pastoral Leader detention – Friday afternoon
- Saturday detention
- interview with Pastoral Leader / Assistant Principal, Pastoral Care
- referral to College Counsellor
- interview with Deputy Principal - suspension