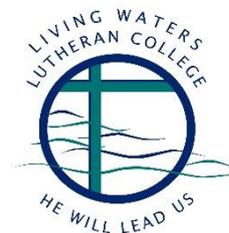# Living Waters Lutheran College

Code of Conduct (Parents & Guardians)

Introduction

Parents and guardians are an indispensable part of a child's education. We recognise that parents and guardians are part of the College community and have a right to participate in their child's education.

In order to balance the rights of parents and guardians, students, teachers and staff, we expect parents to uphold a certain standard of behaviour.

This standard allows children to learn, teachers to teach, and other community members to participate in education, free from harassment, violence, intimidation or vilification.

Parents and guardians should set an example for their children and the children of others. They have shared responsibility with their children, other parents/guardians and the College to ensure that their children abide by the Student Code of Conduct.

Values

Parents and guardians should uphold the values of Living Waters Lutheran College.

These values, set out in the Student Code of Conduct, are:

- Excellence – in your schoolwork, extracurricular, sporting and other personal endeavours
- Respect – for your teachers, parents, peers and members of the community
- Courtesy – for everyone you interact with
- Pride – in yourself, and the way you represent the College
- Personal Responsibility – for your actions
- Integrity – honesty and candour in all of your dealings
- Tolerance – for others, regardless of their background, age, gender, sexuality, religion or race
- Inclusion – of all those who decide to come to Living Waters Lutheran College, and of those in the community.

Extracurricular and sporting events

We recognise that parents and guardians are often actively involved in the sporting and extracurricular events of their children. We encourage parents to participate in such activities and to support their children, however we also make it clear that we have high expectations of parents at these events and activities.

At these events, especially sporting events, parents are expected to:

- encourage (without forcing) their children to participate
- never ridicule, berate, discourage or otherwise interfere with your child or another child
- uphold the principles of good sportsmanship and fair play
- never yell, abuse or otherwise interfere with a sporting official, coach or other person
- never incite, encourage or commit acts of violence

- never use foul or abusing language
- never interfere in an activity.

Dealing with the College

Parents and guardians are expected to deal with our teaching and non-teaching staff at all times in a way that is courteous and respectful.

Parents and guardians should only deal with teachers in accordance with our Parent Staff Communication Policy so that teachers are able to discharge their duties without interference.

Parents and guardians should not approach or interact with the children of other parents without their permission.

College Policies

Parents should support their children so that they can comply with College policies.

Parents, as members of the College community, are also expected to comply with College policies and reasonable directions including those relating to health and safety and communications with the College.

Complaints and feedback

Living Waters Lutheran College has developed a complaints policy to ensure that all grievances and complaints are dealt with by the College in the appropriate manner.

Should a parent or guardian be unable to resolve an issue informally, they may lodge a complaint with the College. We commit to dealing with this complaint according to our Complaints Handling Program.

Breach of Code of Conduct

Parents are expected to follow the Parent Code of Conduct. Serious breaches of the code may lead to the withdrawal of your children from Living Waters Lutheran College.
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