

Living Waters Lutheran College

Student Code of Conduct



At Living Waters Lutheran College we recognise that effective learning can only occur in a secure environment where the dignity, rights and responsibilities of others are known and respected and where standards and rules are fairly and consistently applied.

This Student Code of Conduct is developed in consultation with students, and sets out standards of behaviour with which students are expected to abide.

The College uses a variety of strategies to consult with students when considering the Student Code of Conduct. These may include surveys, discussion groups, consultation with the student representative body or other means. For more information, refer to Participation and Empowerment of Students.

Managing the Student Code of Conduct is a shared responsibility between students, parents/guardians and the College. All students and families have ready access to support offered by College teachers, Staff and College Child Safety Contact Officers.

Rights and Responsibilities of Students

Students are expected to uphold the principles of Living Waters Lutheran College.

They are:

- Excellence – in your schoolwork, extracurricular, sporting and other personal endeavours
- Respect – for your teachers, parents, peers and other members of the College
- 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
- Sensitivity – avoid causing offence or hurt
- Tolerance – for others, regardless of their background, age, race, gender, sexuality, religion or race
- Inclusion – of all those who decide to come to Living Waters Lutheran College, and of those in the community.

These values are to be upheld in the way you conduct yourself not only at the College, but also in the community.

Students are expected to observe and uphold this statement of rights and responsibilities:

You have the **right** to:

- reach your full learning potential in a safe and supportive environment
- be safe

- be treated with respect, courtesy and kindness
- be an active part of and contribute positively to the community
- be treated fairly and justly
- have your human rights, and other legal rights respected.

You have the **responsibility** to:

- enable others to teach and learn in a safe and supportive environment
- follow College policies, procedures and the directions of teachers at all times
- treat others with respect, courtesy and kindness
- represent the College well in the community
- accept and consider the consequences of your actions
- respect the privacy, human dignity, human rights and legal rights of others.

For clarity, these rights and responsibilities mean that bullying, harassment and other forms of peer-to-peer abuse between students and between students and staff are prohibited. For more information refer to Bullying Prevention and Intervention, Social Media – Student Usage and Harassment (Student Against Student).

Consequences for Breaching the Student Code of Conduct

Students are expected to abide by College rules and the policies of the College, as well as the directions of teachers.

A breach of this Student Code of Conduct, College rules or policy will be dealt with according to our Student Discipline Policy.

Raising Concerns About Safety

Students are provided with information about and encouraged to use multiple pathways to raise child safety concerns about or at the College, including concerns about the behaviour of other students. These include informal and formal ways, an ‘anonymous’ way, and external child advocacy or child safety organisations. See Child Safe Complaints Management.

If a student has concerns about their safety, or the behaviour of others, it’s important that they tell a trusted adult. This could be a parent or carer, a trusted teacher or a College Child Safety Contact Officer.

Our Staff are committed to ensuring that all students feel empowered to speak up and be heard, and will take all concerns raised by students seriously and ensure that the student receives ongoing support.

Child Safe Program – Child Safe Adult Code of Conduct (Complispace)		
<i>Version</i>	<i>Action</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>V1</i>	<i>Reviewed by College Board</i>	<i>25 July 22</i>
<i>Review</i>		<i>July 23</i>