



Student Code of Conduct

Mother Teresa Catholic College is an inclusive learning community seeking to grow strong in faith and love. In living the Gospel values and inspired by Mother Teresa's spirit of outreach and love for all human beings, we aim to challenge ourselves and each other to connect with learning about ourselves, one another and the wider world, so that everyone may contribute with confidence, courage and creativity towards making the world a better place for all peoples.

We aim to create and maintain a learning environment that is safe, respectful, encouraging and inclusive so that each person can strive to achieve success.
We believe that every person in our College has the right to feel:



Safe



Connected



Supported



Challenged



Valued



Respected

For these rights to be upheld, we all have both the individual and shared responsibility in shaping and maintaining a positive environment for all.

SAFE

All students have the right to feel safe from verbal, physical, moral and psychological harm. To promote safety in our school:

- We will keep our environment clean and organised.
- We will uphold individual's personal space, sensitivities and boundaries.
- We will stand up for others.
- We will encourage positive verbal and non-verbal interactions and behaviours.
- We will report any unsafe behaviours or environments.

CONNECTED

All students have the right to feel connected and included. To promote connectedness in our school:

- We will listen to others.
- We will communicate in a positive way with others.
- We will include others and embrace diversity.
- We will encourage meaningful interactions between different groups of people within the College and wider community.
- We will represent the College with pride in our behaviour, attitude and presentation.

SUPPORTED

All students have the right to feel supported and encouraged to fulfil their potential. To promote support in our school:

- We will encourage others to reach their educational and extracurricular goals.
- We will show interest in others' ideas and activities.
- We will consider the feelings of others.
- We will accept people's values and beliefs.
- We will speak to and about people with kindness, in all communication mediums.

CHALLENGED

All students have the right to feel challenged to be the best persons we can be. To challenge ourselves and each other in our school:

- We will take responsibility for our learning.
- We will take ownership of our work ethic and effort.
- We will ask for guidance and assistance from staff and our peers.
- We will encourage others to reach their individual potential.
- We will have an open mind to new challenges we face.
- We will contribute positively to classroom activities and discussions.

VALUED

All students have the right to feel valued as individuals. To promote value in our school:

- We will embrace and value everyone's culture, race, gender and ethnicity.
- We will listen to the voice and opinions of others without prejudice or assumptions.
- We will value the variety of strengths, talents and abilities within our community.

RESPECTED

All students have the right to feel respected. To promote respect in our school:

- We will uphold confidentiality and privacy of others unless it is unsafe to do so.
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- We will use basic manners and empathy in all interactions.
- We will respect College guidelines, as they are made in the best interests of all.
- We will acknowledge and embrace people for what they can offer.
- We will treat people with dignity.