# Kildare College Student Code of Conduct



### **Purpose**

At Kildare 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 has been developed to clearly set out standards of behaviour that students are expected to abide by.

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 Safeguarding Officers.

#### Vision and Core Values

Kildare College is a student centred learning community seeking to live out the message of Jesus Christ and the Gospels. With the other Kildare Education Ministries schools, we share the Core Values of a Brigidine Education:

Wonder - Celebrate all that is good with joy and gratitude

Courage - Speaking and acting with integrity

Hospitality - Welcoming all

Hope - Bringing a sense of purpose

Compassion - Walking with and having empathy for all

Justice - Making the needs of the vulnerable paramount

## Rights and Responsibilities of Students

Students are expected to uphold these principles of Kildare College. They 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

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 Kildare College, and of those in the community.



These values are to be upheld in the way you conduct yourself not only in the College, but also 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 learn in a safe and supportive environment
- follow the College's 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 human rights and legal rights of others.

#### Student Behaviour

Kildare College has established a Child Safeguarding Program to establish and maintain a child safe environment at the College. Students are educated on appropriate and inappropriate behaviours through the College's pastoral care program. 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 Code of Conduct, College rules or policies will be dealt with according to our Student Behaviour Management. Refer to our Student Duty of Care Program for policies and procedures related to this Code of Conduct including Bullying Prevention and Intervention, Social Media – Student Usage Policy and Harassment Policy (Student Against Student).

#### **Document Control**

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