

CONDUCT

Students are made aware that they are an integral part of the faith community and their actions affect themselves as well as the entire community. The ultimate purpose of discipline is to develop true Christian character and a sense of responsibility, to establish an atmosphere conducive to academic excellence, and to protect the welfare of the individual, as well as the school community.

There is a code of behavior to which St. John School students are expected to conform. Administration and faculty share in preserving the order demanded by this code. It is presumed that there must be understanding in enforcement according to the level of the child's maturity. Respect for the dignity, freedom, and uniqueness of the individual is communicated to each student. The common aim of administration, teachers, and parents should be shared responsibility in the child's development so that children are aware of what is expected of them and freely accept responsibility for their actions.

Behavior Expectations

The expectations for all students include time spent at school and on field trips, time engaged in walking to and waiting for the bus or car, and time spent at school-sponsored activities outside of school hours (including those sponsored by PTF).

Students are expected to:

1. adhere to all rules and regulations established by existing school policies and classroom teachers. School or classroom regulations and consequences are determined by the administrators and teachers.
2. eat only in the cafeteria (or classrooms, for class parties and other specially designated times). Gum chewing is prohibited at all times.
3. abide by the school's dress code. Students are expected to arrive at school and leave school in uniform.
study and to complete home and class assignments as well as written punishments in the time specified by the teacher. Any student who is absent is responsible for retrieving and completing the required work during the time specified by the teacher.
be honest in their relationships with others, including all school personnel. Honesty includes, but is not limited to: refraining from lying, slander, calumny, gossip, intimidation.
4. be honest in their work. This includes, but is not limited to: refraining from lying, cheating, using "crib sheets", sharing test answers, plagiarizing from all sources, copying another student's work, forging a signature.
7. be on time for school, all classes, and for lining up for the bus as well as car.
8. conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous and orderly manner and not be disruptive.
9. conduct themselves in a manner that will be positive to the name and reputation of Saint John School at all times.
10. come to school prepared with all required school supplies.
11. respect teachers and those in authority at all times, including all staff members and volunteers in the school.
12. respect the rights of others as well as school and parish property.
13. remain on school property during school hours unless written permission is given to the office.
14. play on the playground without exhibiting rough and aggressive behavior. This includes, but is not limited to, fighting, cursing, using intimidating language.

15. play within the designated play area.
16. reflect good manners in the cafeteria during lunchtime, such as: politeness and respect to cafeteria workers and other students, no pushing in line, speaking in a conversational tone, disposing of food in proper receptacles, proper use of food, drink, utensils, and furniture, being quiet during prayer time, following directions given by staff members on duty, cleaning up after one's self.
17. keep harmful, objectionable, and valuable materials at home. The school is not responsible for any valuable objects that are brought to school. Valuable items include those which are valuable due to time (antique value), sentimentality, and/or financial value.
18. abide by the St. John School policy on ethical and moral use of technology.
19. bring offenses to the attention to the teacher or an administrator.
20. assume responsibility for their own behavior.
21. keep hallways and stairways open to traffic by walking to the right. Traffic should not be blocked by students standing in groups.
22. show consideration for others by passing through the hallways and waiting in the cafeteria line quietly.

See complete Handbook for full information.