

# KINGSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

### Country style education with city style opportunities

#### **OUR PURPOSE**

Kingston Community School aims to educate students so that they gain the academic and social skills necessary to become capable, confident and productive members of society.

#### **OUR VISION**

Kingston Community School will provide access to quality services where the focus is on meeting the needs of the individual student. We will provide a foundation of learning so that students can reach their full potential becoming effective, independent learners achieving personal best with skills to enter a global society.

#### **OUR BELIEF**

Regular attendance at school and full participation and engagement in learning programmes underpins educational success.

#### **OUR SCHOOL VALUES**

**PERSONAL BEST** 

**RESPECT** 

**HONESTY** 

**FRIENDLINESS** 

RESPONSIBILITY

#### **STUDENTS**

Successful achievement depends upon:

#### **RESPONSIBILITY AND HONESTY**

- 1. Attending school regularly, being punctual to school and to class.
- 2. Bringing to every lesson all equipment necessary to complete set tasks including a diary.
- 3. Keeping a diary in which all homework and assignment due dates are recorded, and which is signed by a parent every weekend.
- 4. Meeting due dates.
- 5. Complying with school rules and abiding by user agreements for laptops, digital devices and internet.
- 6. Being a responsible bystander.

#### FRIENDLINESS AND RESPECT

- 1. Being courteous to others and treating them and their property fairly and respectfully.
- 2. Listening carefully when another person is speaking, and carefully following staff member's instructions.
- 3. Starting and ending lessons in an orderly manner which does not interrupt effective learning and teaching.
- 4. Ensuring a safe and supportive environment exists at all times during the day.
- 5. Staying calm when things don't go your way.
- 6. Bouncing back. Choose to be positive even when things don't turn out how you'd prefer.
- 7. Respecting the rights of other students to learn and teachers to teach.
- 8. Cooperating and complying with reasonable requests from others.

#### **PERSONAL BEST**

- 1. Completing all set assignment work and homework to the best of one's ability.
- 2. Using class time effectively and working quietly.
- 3. Remaining focussed on the learning task when working in groups and not idly chatting about other things.
- 4. Always seeking help from one's teacher if there is some aspect of the work which is not understood.
- 5. Taking a risk and having a 'go' with new or unfamiliar activities.

#### **TEACHERS**

Students and their caregivers can expect teachers to:

- 1. Thoroughly prepare for their lessons, and expect the same from their students.
- 2. Vary their methods of instruction to stimulate student interest and achievement.
- 3. Get to know their students as individuals and treat them fairly and respectfully.
- 4. Tell students what they need to do to complete the unit.
- 5. Consult with students on subject objectives, and individual learning goals.
- 6. Show students that they care, by being available out of lesson time for extra help, and by setting high expectations for individual success.
- 7. Provide feedback to students about their learning.
- 8. Communicate with parents when there is an issue with performance or behaviour.
- 9. Cooperate professionally with other staff, and work closely with the school's policies in such areas as homework and use of the diary.
- 10. Use restorative justice.
- 11. Deal with bullying, harassment, and violence using DECD and school policies.
- 12. Respond to parent complaints and concerns politely and promptly using school policies.

#### **SCHOOL SUPPORT OFFICERS**

Students and their caregivers can expect School support officers to:

- 1. Treat people respectfully, courteously, and fairly.
- 2. Work collaboratively with teachers, students and families.
- 3. Refer issues to relevant staff on site, as required.
- 4. Ensure a safe and supportive environment exists at all times.

#### **PARENTS/CAREGIVERS**

Parents/caregivers too, have a vital role to play in the success of their children. Parents can assist by:

- 1. Encouraging children to succeed at school, and having high expectations of them.
- 2. Chatting with their children in a friendly, non-judgemental way, about their school experiences, and encouraging a positive attitude towards school and the teaching staff.
- 3. Encouraging their children to understand that we are all ultimately responsible for our own success, and that blaming others is not helpful.
- 4. Volunteering in classrooms.
- 5. Checking the diary and reading the school's newsletter.
- 6. Maintaining close communications with teachers through parent-teacher interviews, phone and diary messages and personal appointments.
- 7. Supporting the school's discipline procedures and its efforts to maintain a positive teaching and learning environment.
- 8. Treating all members of the school community with respect.
- 9. Addressing any concerns as they arise with the person who knows most about the situation.
- 10. Using Grievance Procedures, or the Parent Complaint and Concern policy procedures to resolve areas of concern or dispute.

#### THE PRINCIPAL

The Principal will provide leadership, resources and support for student success through:

- 1. Committing the school's staff training and development and performance management resources to improve staff skills.
- 2. Actively promoting, valuing and recognising academic achievement across the school.
- 3. Monitoring attendance and punctuality across the school with the express purpose of improving overall student achievement.
- 4. Monitoring student results across each year level, especially at the end of semester, with the express purpose of improving overall student achievement.
- 5. Developing an ethos of school improvement.
- 6 Celebrating and promoting school achievement and success.

#### UNSATISFACTORY PROGRESS OR BEHAVIOUR

When students do not complete homework or work effectively in the classroom, they can be required to attend class during recess/lunch to 'catch-up.'

When a subject teacher perceives that a student's progress is becoming unsatisfactory, they will make contact with the parents/caregivers by diary note, letter or phone call.

Where academic progress or behaviour is concerning, or widespread the year level Co-ordinator will instigate one or more of the following:

- Academic check from all teachers
- Daily lesson check
- Interview with parents/caregivers
- Behaviour Management agreements
- Guidance, Attendance, and/or Behaviour Management referrals to DECD agencies

SACE students can ultimately be withdrawn from subjects if they fail to submit the necessary assessment pieces or plagiarise.

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# Kingston Community School STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT AND ACHIEVING SUCCESS 2013

## Please read, sign and return to the Home Class Teacher By Friday 1 February

Name of student:	
I have read and underst policy.	ood the Kingston Community School's "Student Code of Conduct and Achieving Success
Signature of Student:	
Signature of Parent/Caregiver:	
DATE:	