

## Code of Christian Conduct

The responsibility for training a child in godly behavior belongs to the parents, but in order to maintain an orderly, disciplined, godly, and wholesome environment for learning, the following code of conduct is elucidated. Our standards are not intended to usurp parental training, but, as our standards are based solidly upon Scripture, they should serve to reinforce and supplement the godly training in the home. A student is expected to behave in a manner that exhibits the following characteristics:

- Cheerful obedience to authority (parents, teachers, staff, etc.) and adherence to school regulations when a person in authority is not present
- Responsibility in doing assigned or expected tasks, such as homework
- Cooperation with others in playing and working at school
- Courtesy and respect for others
- Cleanliness in person and property
- Truthfulness in word and life
- Respect for property of the school and other individuals
- Promptness in attendance and assignments
- Morally upright conduct in all areas of life, including language, social relationships, recreation, abstaining from all intimate sexual conduct
- Morally upright conduct in public forums including website postings, emails, and music performances (band performances, vocal performances, dance, etc.)
- Dress in conformance with his or her biological sex (male or female)
- The utilization of restrooms, locker rooms, and changing facilities conforming to one's biological sex (male or female)
- Abstention from the use of alcohol, tobacco, and drugs
- Service to one another and community

## Student Cell Phone Usage

The school provides school secretaries and administrative personnel who are available to handle emergency communication between parents and students when necessary. The potential for misuse of cell phones (text messaging, privacy issues with camera phones, etc.) make these devices counter-productive to the educational process.

## Student Internet/Social Networking/Blogging

Veritas Christian Academy urges families to consider the spiritual, mental, and social ramifications of social media. Social media (e.g., Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, Tik Tok, etc.) have been proven to adversely affect embodied communities. If a student chooses to identify himself/herself as a student in our school on such Internet venues, some readers of such websites or blogs may view the student as a representative of the school. In light of this possibility, our school requests that students be respectful of the school, its employees, and fellow students in all online communication. Additionally, students should not attempt to establish online relationships with any employee of Veritas Christian Academy or place pictures of any Veritas employee on their sites.

## Expectation of Privacy

- When on the premises of Veritas Christian Academy, students have no expectation of privacy.
- Veritas Christian Academy reserves the right to search lockers, book bags/purses, and/or automobiles when there is a reasonable suspicion of wrongdoing.
- Veritas Christian Academy reserves the right to view student postings on various websites such as Instagram, Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, etc., and to implement the Veritas Expected Conduct Policy, Discipline Policy, and Internet/Social Networking/Blogging Policy regarding those postings.

## General Dress Code Requirements for All Students

- Any item that will bear the school logo must be ordered through French Toast.
- Ball caps should be removed upon entering the building.
- Uniform shirts should remain tucked in.
- Outerwear should not be worn in the classroom in the Grammar School or Logic School.
- Shoes should fit snugly for safety reasons, should not easily come off a student's feet, and should be appropriate for the classroom. Loose fitting Croc-style shoes, flip flops, or slippers may not be worn to school.
- The Veritas Christian Academy Parent Teacher Fellowship maintains a Clothes Closet to give students an opportunity to allow others to benefit from the clothing they have outgrown which meets our Dress Code.
- On Warrior T-Shirt Days, students must wear an official Warrior T-shirt and shorts or pants in denim or khaki or come in school uniform.
- Uniforms should be sized to fit appropriately and worn as intended without alteration.