



DJARRAGUN COLLEGE

Student Code of Conduct

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Djarragun College is committed to providing a safe and non-discriminatory environment where all student have the right to learn.

We expect all students to adhere to the following rules and expectations.

Thank you for keeping our school a safe learning place.

Dress Code

School uniform, including covered shoes, is compulsory at School, at college functions and some special non-college functions when students represent the college.

There are occasions when students are expected to wear neat casual clothing. Examples of this are church services, off campus socials and special activities. On these occasions, students are expected to dress appropriately. As a guide, they ought to wear a shirt with a collar, a pair of jeans rather than tracksuit pants, or shorts with shoes and socks.

Students who are unable to come up with an acceptable combination will be asked to wear their school uniform instead or not go on the outing.

Students are not permitted to wear any revealing clothing or clothing/bags that advertise alcohol, cigarettes, drugs or other activities not suitable or appropriate.

Personal Grooming

- Hair - students may only have natural hair color. Combinations of hair dyes are not allowed. Students are also to have haircuts/styles that abide by school policy.
- Earrings - Boys are not permitted to wear an earring at school. Girls can wear no more than a single set of

plain sleepers or plain studs (limit of one in each ear lobe). Other piercings are NOT allowed under any circumstances.

- Tattoos – Students are not allowed tattoos. Students who currently have tattoos are not allowed to display their tattoo to other students and must conceal them at all times.
- Covered footwear is compulsory at school and on any excursions.
- **Definitely *NO THONGS* to be worn at school or on any school outing.**

Use of mobile phones, iPods and music players at school

General conduct

When a student uses communication devices such as a mobile phone, their behaviour should be in keeping with acceptable College behaviour. Unacceptable behaviour includes denigration of others, bullying, swearing, harassment and encouragement of unacceptable behaviour.

In class

Mobile phones, ipods, music players and headphones are not allowed in class. Day students are not permitted to bring these items to school. Boarding students must leave them behind in the boarding house each morning.

Incoming Phone Calls

Only parents, grandparents and guardians will be able to phone to talk to students. If other people call, a message will be taken for the student.

Please note that the College likes to ensure, where possible, that students are not interrupted/distracted from the normal college routine unnecessarily. In most cases, a message will be taken to a student, unless the matter is urgent.

Photography

Mobile phones are not to be used to take photographs without the explicit permission of a teacher.

Social networking

Access to social networking sites on mobile phones is prohibited during school hours.

Confiscation

Students caught with mobile phones, iPods and music players at school (including on school buses) will be penalised by confiscation of the equipment, for a period determined by the teacher.

Loss of mobile phones, iPods and music players

The school accepts no responsibility for the loss or damage to mobile phones, iPods and music players brought to school by students.

Behaviour expectations

Djarragun College is committed to providing a safe, respectful and disciplined teaching and learning environment for students and staff, where students have opportunities to engage in quality learning experiences and acquire values supportive of their lifelong wellbeing.

Students must:

- Behave respectfully, responsibly, safely and honestly at all times at school and on school buses.
- Attend school every day unless sick or involved in a family emergency.
- Wear the school uniform correctly and with pride.
- Be punctual to all classes.
- Come prepared with the correct stationery and equipment for each lesson including all practical lessons such as sports and manual arts.

- Complete tasks as set by teachers.
- Complete homework tasks by the date and time given.
- Show respect to all staff, students and school property.
- Obey school rules including not smoking, drinking alcohol or consuming illicit substances.

Respect

Students are expected to show respect for themselves, their peers, staff members and all visitors to the college at all times.

Language

We respect the different languages spoken by our students and encourage this to be spoken during break times. During class, for the benefit of all learners, only English is to be spoken.

Literature

Literature must be of a type that will not discredit the name of Djarragun College. Unsuitable magazines will be confiscated.

Aerosols

Aerosols are not allowed on campus meaning that students should use the pump type cans, or roll-on deodorant. All aerosol cans will be confiscated.

Fire Alarms and Equipment

It is most important that all fire safety equipment is respected.

If a student or a group of students is responsible for setting off the alarm, that person or group will be expected to pay all or part of the considerable cost of the attendance of the Fire Brigade. This can be in excess of \$1000.00.

Fire extinguishers, which are strategically located around the school, must never be touched except in the case of a fire.

Disagreements

The college views very seriously any interference in a fight or confrontation that may occur.

- Any student who causes a fight, or who confronts in a threatening way, faces suspension or exclusion from the college.
- Any student who joins a fight or confrontation to back up another student faces suspension or exclusion from the college.
- Any student who incites another student or students to start a fight or a confrontation faces suspension or exclusion.
- Any student who has to be restrained or removed by staff will be suspended or excluded.
- Any student who has in their possession any object, missile or rock etc., faces suspension or exclusion from the college.

Stones and Missiles

The throwing of stones or other missiles by students will not be tolerated under any circumstances. If this occurs students

will receive an appropriate consequence for such actions. Weapons with which to shoot stones and missiles are strictly forbidden.

Illicit Substances

The School has clear sanctions in respect to the use of tobacco, alcohol, or any illegal drugs. If a student has been consuming, or is present while substances are consumed or is in the possession of tobacco and/or alcohol, that student can be suspended from the College. If that individual should re-offend he/she may be expelled.

With regard to illegal drugs such as cannabis, narcotics, amphetamines, cocaine and hallucinogens, any student who attempts to sell or is in possession of such a drug or is present while others use such a drug, will be expelled automatically. The same consequences apply for students who are in possession of equipment for the use of such drugs. In these instances Police will be notified.

The possession of dangerous items (for example, knives, slingshots, fireworks, ammunition, etc.) is strictly forbidden.

Stealing

Any stealing destroys trust and harmony and is regarded as a punishable offense. Any student, who chooses to take materials from other students or staff, is, in fact, stealing and may forfeit his or her place at Djarragun College.

Bad Language

Swearing and put-down language will NOT be tolerated.

Bullying

All students should have the right to feel safe in their environment and as such, the college views any form of bullying or harassment, be it verbal, physical or emotional, very seriously. We must ensure that our safe environment allows for individual student differences, and that all students feel comfortable in expressing themselves.

Any repeated acts of bullying, whether physical, emotional or verbal, will result in a student being suspended and then excluded if the bullying continues.

An aspect of bullying that will never be tolerated is racially motivated abuse. At Djarragun we have a racially harmonious community. Racial abuse will never be tolerated whether it is students to staff, staff to students, student to student, or staff to staff. Also, any intimidation or bullying of staff by a student will cause that student to be excluded from the college. Any student being bullied should tell staff straight away.

Zero Tolerance to Violence

Students who cannot control themselves are not welcome. One of the areas we continue to emphasise to students is that violence in any form is not acceptable or tolerated. Nobody sends their child to Djarragun to have any form of violence perpetrated against them by another student. At Djarragun we aim to have a totally non-violent community. Unfortunately some members of the broader society do not always mirror this. Our students are reminded that the human fist can cause incredible damage.

At Djarragun we have a zero tolerance of fighting. We remind students that fighting is not sporting; it is stupid, immature,

and dangerous. Violent students are not welcome here.

Social Media Code of Behaviour

Acceptable use of the school's computer network

Djarragun College provides students with the opportunity to use personal computers and other digital devices, and gives students rights to use and access certain facets of the College's digital infrastructure. Students are expected to conduct themselves appropriately when they access information and communicate over the digital network.

Care of digital equipment and network facilities

Students are responsible for taking good care of all personal and network computers and other digital devices made available for their use. This includes all cables and attachments such as mice and keyboards.

Security

For security reasons we expect students to keep passwords and network login details private. Students need to keep all drives and files secure, and prevent others from accessing their work without permission. Students must respect the rights and privacy of others and on no occasion access or attempt to access another person's network account through their password and login, or through unacceptable or illegal means such as hacking.

Storage

Students are responsible for ensuring their data storage is only for educational material. Under no circumstances are students allowed to download, introduce or store any software applications, videos or games on the network. The College will clear all student network drives and email storage at the end of each school year. Students may use devices such as USB memory devices to transfer educational tasks between the College and their home.

Internet

Internet access is provided to students for educational purposes only. The allowance made to students for internet use is generous and appropriate for such usage. Access to the internet via the College's facilities may not be used to browse, download or distribute material which is of an anti-social nature, pornographic, violent, illegal, racist, destructive, demeaning or denigrating of others or which encourages this. Students must respect laws and other people's rights including copyright laws and antidiscrimination laws. All use of the internet is tracked and recorded and monitored by authorised staff. Inappropriate use of the internet will result in disciplinary action.

Downloading files and data

The College has an internet connection of considerable capacity. However, downloading large files or browsing many unnecessary sites will quickly use the College's data allocation. Student downloads will be monitored to ensure they are reasonable and for educational purposes.

Copyright

Students are expected to use the software the College has provided for them and not to make or use illegal copies of software programs. Any information retrieved from the internet or other network sources should be acknowledged or cited in the work and, where necessary, the author's permission obtained for usage.

Network printing photocopying and scanning

The College provides network printers and photocopiers which students may only access through staff permission.