



Standards of Conduct

Washington County Christian School holds that the Bible is the infallible, divine Word of God and that salvation by faith in Christ is the initial step in the Christian life. There is adequate Biblical basis for the idea of spiritual growth in to the image of Christ (Romans 8:29), which is the work of the Holy Spirit (II Corinthians 3:18). This growth begins with the initial act of saving faith and continues throughout life. The Holy Spirit makes the Christian conscious of the Biblical demands for a holy life which fulfills both God's moral law and high law of love (Matthew 22:37-39; Romans 13:8-10; Galatians 5:14). The result is a life consecrated unto God and separated from the world.

Washington County Christian School must, therefore, provide an environment conducive to the spiritual growth and development of young people who are not yet mature Christians. A standard of conduct based on the following Biblical imperatives is necessary to provide such an environment. All of the activities of the Christian must be subordinated to the glory of God who indwells us (I Corinthians 8:9, 12-13; 10:32). The Christian will endeavor to avoid practices which cause the loss of sensitivity to the spiritual needs of the world and loss of the Christian's physical, mental, or spiritual well-being (I Corinthians 9:27).

A sense of the need for spiritual growth in the light of these principles has led Washington County Christian School to adopt the following standards which are believed to be conducive to the environment that will best promote the spiritual welfare of the student. The School, therefore, requests each student—whether at home, school, or elsewhere—

1. to maintain Christian standards in courtesy, kindness, honesty, morality, and modest attire.
2. to refrain from participating in worldly activities such as swearing, indecent language, smoking, possession or use of liquor, drugs or tobacco, gambling, sexually expressive dancing, pornography, premarital sex, homosexuality or other sexual perversions, and involvement in music and/or video, or so-called "Christian" music and/or video which contains such aforementioned content.
3. to uphold strict academic integrity, avoiding all appearances, as well as overt acts, of academic dishonesty (e.g. plagiarism, cheating, purchasing answer keys, sharing tests and quizzes, knowingly utilizing preparation that includes test answers, etc.).

The selection of the restrictions mentioned in this pledge may appear arbitrary to some; but while not condemning others who see differently, Washington County Christian School believes that the restrictions named are outstanding types of conduct which are detrimental to the standards established as its objective.

Board members, faculty and students are expected to abide by these standards throughout their term, contract or enrollment whether at home, school, or elsewhere. **Board members, faculty and students** found to be out of harmony with the Washington County Christian School ideals of work and life and any **board member, faculty member or student** who has been arrested by authorities will be subject to administrative withdrawal.

In this atmosphere of definite and positive Christian standards of conduct, good scholastic planning, and genuine personal interest between faculty and student, there is fine opportunity for development of strong Christian character.

Please cut and return this pledge (Grades 6-12)

I have read the Standards of Conduct for WCCS students and while enrolled in Washington County Christian School agree to cooperate with and abide by these standards whether at home, school, or elsewhere.

Student's signature

Date

As a parent I have read the Standards of Conduct. I will cooperate with WCCS by seeing that my son or daughter maintains these high Christian standards whether at home, school, or elsewhere.

Parent's signature

Date