







St. John Fisher Junior Student Code of Conduct

The goals of our code of conduct are:

- To establish and maintain a positive and peaceful school climate in which learning can take place.
- To help students develop a sense of self-discipline and responsibility within the school community.
- To protect the basic rights of all members of the community.
- To ensure that all students receive a sound educational experience without any impediment.

To create and maintain a safe and peaceful environment, our students are expected to...

-  when an adult says 
-   and   to themselves
- Be prepared for class by studying and organizing work
- Treat and respect others (staff, bus drivers, guests, fellow students, and volunteers) as they wish to be treated themselves
- Speak to others as they wish to be spoken to: Use positive and encouraging language
- Resolve conflict in a peaceful manner (Peacemakers Agree to work it out Listen to each other Solve the problem--PALS)
- Play safely!
- Travel through the school in a quiet and respectful way
- Be on time...PLEASE!
- Ride bicycles safely and walk bicycles on school property
- Make appropriate choices for clothing
- Treat all classroom and school property with respect
 - Respect the rights and dignity of all staff and students when using social media and use the internet according to the rules outlined in our school's 'APPROPRIATE USE OF DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGIES POLICY'

To create and maintain a safe and peaceful environment, our students are expected to avoid...

Behaviors that

- interfere with the learning of others, including their emotional well-being
- interfere with an orderly environment
- create unsafe conditions

Acts such as:

- Disruptions in class
- Profane language and swearing
- Bullying, harassment, or intimidation
- Name calling, pushing, or rough play
- Theft or defacement or damage to school property or staff or other student's personal property
- Aggressive verbal confrontations with other students or staff members
- Racial slurs
- Throwing of snowballs or other dangerous objects
- Violence towards another person (kicking, tripping, pushing, punching, or hitting)
- Non-compliance towards any staff member
- Disrespectful or negative behavior towards staff and fellow students both in school or **on social media**
- Disrespectful or profane language towards staff, students or others both in school or **on social media**
- Disrespectful or non-compliant behavior towards bus drivers during school transportation or towards volunteers during carpooling on school trips
- Disrespectful or non-compliant behavior during school transportation or towards volunteers during carpooling on school trips may result in loss of privileges or other sanctions based on the nature of the act.
- Any inappropriate use of social media which is deemed to constitute an act of bullying or violence will be dealt with accordingly. It is the responsibility of the school to take action when behavior that is considered to be "cyber-bullying" has an adverse impact on the learning and social environment of the school no matter when that behavior has occurred.

These reprehensible behaviors can be avoided by encouraging the expected positive behaviors.

BULLYING IS DEFINED AS:

- A repeated direct or indirect behavior, comment, act or gesture whether deliberate or not, including in cyberspace, which occurs in a context where there is a power imbalance between the persons concerned and which causes distress, and injures, hurts, oppresses, intimidates or ostracizes.

CYBERBULLYING IS DEFINED AS:

Bullying that occurs in the virtual world

- It can occur whenever and from wherever: the virtual world is accessible at any time and from just about any place.
- It can bring together other witnesses, thereby allowing the immediate distribution of the words and images posted, in a way that is both unlimited and irreversible.
- It can occur in a secretive manner and forego the supervision of parents, teachers and other responsible adults.

VIOLENCE IS DEFINED AS:

- Any intentional demonstration of verbal, written, physical, psychological, or sexual force, which causes distress and injures, hurts or oppresses a person by attacking their psychological or physical integrity, or wellbeing or their rights or property.

CONFLICT IS DEFINED AS:

- Any situation in which two or more individuals or groups perceive that they possess a difference of opinion.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOURS AVOID PROBLEMS

As a Peaceful School International, the discipline policy at St. John Fisher is based on a very simple principle: **every student deserves to thrive in a safe school environment.**

Follow the Golden Rule - 'Do unto others as you would have done unto you'.

Behaviours deemed inappropriate will be dealt with in one of the following manners:

- Warning
- Conference with students
- Conflict resolution
- Detention
- Pictogram or written reflection
- Phone call or letter home
- Loss of privileges
- Restitution
- Suspension
- Transfer to another school

This policy has been adopted to provide a safe, enjoyable atmosphere for the students at St. John Fisher Junior School.

THE SCHOOL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO APPLY THESE SANCTIONS ACCORDING TO THE SERIOUSNESS AND REPETITIVE NATURE OF THE OFFENCE.