



Child Safe Student Code of Conduct

At Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School we recognise that effective learning can only occur in a secure environment where the dignity, rights and responsibilities of others are known and respected and where standards and rules are fairly and consistently applied.

The Student Code of Conduct has been developed to clearly set out standards of behaviour that students are expected to abide by.

Managing the Student Code of Conduct is a shared responsibility between students, parents/guardians and the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School. All students and families have ready access to support offered by Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School teachers, Staff and Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School Child Safety Officers.

Source of Obligation

Principle 2 of the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations is called Children are Safe, Informed and Participate, and requires the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School to ensure that children are made aware of their rights, including their right to be safe from harm and that they are provided with age-appropriate information about safe and respectful peer relationships.

Rights and Responsibilities of Students

Students are expected to uphold these principles of Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School.

They are:

- Excellence – in your schoolwork, extracurricular, sporting and other personal endeavours
- Respect – for your teachers, parents, peers and members of the community
- Courtesy – for everyone you interact with
- Pride – in yourself, and the way you represent the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School
- Personal Responsibility – for your actions
- Integrity – honesty and candour in all of your dealings
- Sensitivity – avoid causing offence or hurt
- Tolerance – for others, regardless of their background, age, gender, sexuality, religion or race
- Inclusion – of all those who decide to come to Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School, and of those in the community



These values are to be upheld in the way you conduct yourself not only in the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School, but also the community.

Students are expected to observe and uphold this statement of rights and responsibilities:

You have the right to:

- reach your full learning potential in a safe and supportive environment
- be safe
- be treated with respect, courtesy and kindness
- be an active part of, and contribute positively to, the community
- be treated fairly and justly
- have your human rights and other legal rights respected.

You have the responsibility to:

- enable others to learn in a safe and supportive environment
- follow the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School's policies, procedures and the directions of teachers at all times
- treat others with respect, courtesy and kindness
- represent the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School well in the community
- accept and consider the consequences of your actions
- respect the human rights and legal rights of others.

For more information, refer to Bullying Prevention and Intervention, Social Media – Student Usage and Harassment (Student Against Student).

Consequences for Breaching the Student Code of Conduct

Students are expected to abide by Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School rules and the policies of the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School, as well as the directions of teachers.

A breach of this Student Code of Conduct, Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School rules or policy will be dealt with according to our Student Behaviour Policy.

Raising Concerns About Safety

If a student has concerns about their safety, or the behaviour of others, it's important they tell a trusted adult. This could be a parent or carer, a trusted teacher or a Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School Child Safety Officer.

The Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School provides students with information about and encourages them to use multiple pathways to raise child safety concerns about or at the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School, including concerns about the behaviour of other students. These include informal and formal ways, an 'anonymous' way, and through external child advocacy or child safety organisations.

A child-friendly version of our Child Safe Complaints Management policy, which explains these different pathways, is also available.

Our Staff are committed to ensuring that all students feel empowered to speak up and be heard, will take all concerns raised by students seriously and ensure that the student receives ongoing support.

Program Review

Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School is committed to the continuous improvement of our Child Safe Program. The Program as a whole is reviewed annually for overall effectiveness and to ensure compliance with all child protection related laws, regulations and standards.

When undertaking these reviews, the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School to actively seeks, actions, and incorporates feedback from students, families, the wider Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School, Staff, Volunteers and Contractors, and will communicate any adjustments or amendments widely throughout the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School.

This Child Safe Policy has been approved by the School Board in August 2022.

The Policy is reviewed annually, in light of experience, the effectiveness of procedures and the publication of relevant research.

Related Documents

- Valuing Safe Communities: Statement of values
- Child Safe Complaints Management policy
- Student Behaviour Policy.
- Bullying Prevention and Intervention, Social Media – Student Usage and Harassment (Student Against Student).



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