

### **BETHANY SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT**

*Bethany School is established upon biblical principles and standards. Our goal is to honor the Lord Jesus Christ by providing students an education based upon academic excellence and biblical principles in all areas. Cooperation from the home is expected. By enrolling their children in Bethany School, parents are agreeing to support the policies and guidelines set forth in the Parent-Student Handbook, including but not limited to: Bethany Church/School's statement of faith, its mission, financial policies, code of conduct, and other policies contained within the handbook pertaining to technology, harassment/bullying, gender identity, etc. Failure to comply with school rules or policies may be considered a breach of contract and thereby result in dismissal from school. Bethany School reserves the right to take disciplinary action, suspend, and/or dismiss any student whose conduct or progress is considered by Bethany School, in its sole and absolute discretion, to be unsatisfactory and/or in violation of its mission and beliefs.*

We expect our students to be

#### **Kind.**

- We are patient with each other, just as God is patient with us.
- We keep our hands, feet, and objects to ourselves.
- We use appropriate and polite language.

#### **Safe.**

- We play by all the rules, whether in the classroom or on the playground.
- We walk to and from our classrooms in quiet and orderly manner.
- When the bell rings, we FREEZE immediately. When an adult blows the whistle, we WALK to the class line up area and wait quietly until our teacher arrives.

***Bell = Freeze! Whistle = Walk!***

#### **Respectful.**

- We respect others and their property.
- We wait to be recognized before we speak in class or to an adult.

#### **Ready.**

- We follow directions the first time.
- We do our best on all our work and complete it on time.
- We are prepared for the school day with our completed work.
- We are prepared for each lesson and listen to the teacher's instructions.

Bethany Students are expected to refrain from behavior that is contrary to our school's policies, in school, on school trips, or any other time they are representing Bethany School. The following list outlines the behaviors that are deemed inappropriate and will result in some form of disciplinary action.

- Defiance to school personnel
- Disruption to school activities
- Adherence to dress code policy
- Excessive tardies and/or absenteeism
- Disrespect toward students and staff
- Leaving school grounds without permission
- Racism or any other forms discrimination
- Obscenity in any form

- Lying, cheating, or plagiarism
- Stealing, littering, vandalism, and/or use of incendiary material
- Gossip, fighting, threatening, or bullying
- Use/possession of illegal/controlled substances, including alcohol, drugs, tobacco, etc.
- Use/possession of fireworks, firearms, or weapons ( authentic, look-alike and/or representations of)
- Inappropriate use of technology, including hacking, sexting, cyberbullying, cyber-pornography, (on or off campus, via phones, computers, or through texts, social media, or online gaming, etc.)
- Any inappropriate sexual behaviors, including but not limited to, public displays of affection, dirty jokes, inappropriate sexual conversations, possession of pornography, sexual harassment, homosexual behavior, or any other behavior of an intimate sexual nature beyond marriage between one woman and one man.

*Parent Name*\_\_\_\_\_ *Student Name*\_\_\_\_\_

*Parent Signature*\_\_\_\_\_ *Date*\_\_\_\_\_

*Student Signature (if 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> grade)*\_\_\_\_\_