

Hope Christian School Online School Discipline Policy

Objectives

1. To develop and maintain the optimum environment for learning.
2. To correct behavior that is disruptive or destructive to the learning environment.
3. To train students in behavior patterns that will be helpful to them individually and to the school in supporting and achieving the commonly-held goals of spiritual, intellectual, physical and social development.
4. To remove, as a last resort, recalcitrant students so that the learning environment may be maintained.

Disciplinary Actions

Because this is an online program, discipline issues will be at a minimum. There may however be situations whereby it becomes necessary to impose disciplinary actions upon students. Such situations may include:

1. Student interactions in online virtual classes becomes disruptive to the point where it interferes with the teacher ability to communicate clearly and student ability to interact in a meaningful way. Resultant disciplinary action
 - i. For first infraction the student will be logged off from the class
 - ii. The next two subsequent infractions of the same type will result in a one day suspension from class accompanied by a warning that further infractions may result in withdrawal from the class altogether
 - iii. If the infractions continue the student will be suspended from class for one week accompanied by a warning that further infractions will result in withdrawal from the class altogether, subject to teacher discretion
2. Student interactions in the online virtual class shows a disrespectful or offensive attitude towards the teacher and/or fellow students or violates the schools code of conduct.
 - i. For first infraction the student will be logged off from the class
 - ii. The next two subsequent infractions of the same type will each result in a one day suspension from class participation, accompanied by a warning that further infractions may result in withdrawal from the class altogether
 - iii. If the infractions continue the student will be suspended from class for one week accompanied by a warning that the further infractions will result in withdrawal from the class altogether
 - iv. If, after the one week suspension, the infractions continue, the student will be withdrawn from the class subject to teacher discretion.
 - v. If the infraction is the result of gross disrespect of another student or the teacher, the teacher, subject to his/her discretion, may remove the student from the class for the remainder of that semester or session. Gross disrespect would be demonstrated behavior and situations in keeping with "Unacceptable Conduct" behaviors as

outlined in the Hope Christian School Code of Conduct Policy.

Parent Communication

Communicating with parents regarding persistent misconduct. Parents of all students under the age of 18 will be notified by the teacher, as soon a conveniently possible, of student’s suspension or withdrawal from class.

Appeal Process

Parents/students may appeal, to the principal, a decision to remove the student from the class. If the decision of the principal is not satisfactory, to the parent they may make a final appeal to the governing board of Hope Christian School.

Signature of Board Chair: _____

Date: _____