

Student Behavior and Discipline (Grades K4 - 8th)

Behavior and Discipline

Redeemer Lutheran School expects all of its students, teachers and parents to live according to the guidance of Scripture and to base their behavior on the Christian principles of love, cooperation, helpfulness, respect, and concern for others. The root of this behavior can be found in the home. Student behavior is an outgrowth of the behavior patterns you teach your child when they are young. Biblical principles about discipline are important to follow when the child is young. Be consistent in your expectations. Within the parameters of the previously described student expectations, the teacher establishes and communicates to the class the expected behavior and procedures of the classroom.

Student Discipline Plan

In order to provide each student with the positive Christian learning environment he or she needs for learning, the staff has developed this plan for each classroom and the entire school community. The staff believes that each student is able to behave appropriately at school and in the classroom. We will not tolerate any student who interferes with the teacher's efforts to teach or any other student's opportunity to learn.

Redeemer Lutheran School Code of Student Behavior

Students will....

- follow directions given by teachers and other school personnel, and will cooperate with the teacher and with other students.
- show respect for others and for their property at all times.
- avoid any behavior that is disruptive or harmful.
- come to class on time, prepared with their homework and any necessary material.
- bring to school only those items needed for learning. They will not bring items that will distract anyone from learning or be a nuisance or danger.
- not write in text books, desktops, furniture, bulletin boards or walls.
- not bring or chew gum in school.
- avoid borrowing or lending money or personal property.
- obey all school rules, including dress code.

Suspension and Expulsion

The Board of Christian Education, through the principal, reserves the right to suspend or expel students whose conduct and attitude are clearly contrary to the aims of our school. Any child who, in the opinion of the principal, represents a threat to the safety of any person, possesses illegal items or substances, or seriously disrupts the classroom learning environment may be immediately suspended for five days pending a meeting of The Board to discuss the matter.

Immediate referrals to the principal will result from:

- Disrespect, profanity, gesturing, bullying or vulgarity, which is heard by a teacher or other staff member.
- Explosive disruption in the classroom, during Extended School Care or on the school grounds.
- Open defiance, disobedience, or threats to the teacher or aide.
- Truancy or cutting classes.
- Physical fighting among students.
- Possession of illegal or harmful items or substances such as firearms, knives, illegal drugs, etc.
- Theft of personal or school property.
- Leaving the grounds without the permission of parent and school staff.
- Possession of any over-the-counter or prescription medication without the knowledge of a teacher or principal.
- Failure to serve any after school detention.
- Cheating or allowing others to cheat from your work.

Possible Consequences for Inappropriate Behavior:

- Warning by teacher
- Time Out
- Removal from class
- Referral to Principal
- In-School Suspension
- Detention
- Parent contact and the conducting of a behavior conference
- Appropriate alternative punishment
- Referral to the Board of Education for Expulsion