

Student Code of Conduct

Student Etiquette

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than you. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others." – Philippians 2:3-4

It is our hope this attitude will permeate and become part of the daily habit of mind and work at Cromwell Hall.

Conduct

At Cromwell Hall, we seek to provide not only a solid academic foundation, but also firm grounding in moral and ethical values. This begins with clear standards of personal conduct—basic expectations of appearance, behavior, and attitude—that enhance the learning atmosphere of the Hall. Self-discipline and respectfulness are required and expected in all aspects of the Hall's life. We enroll students judged to be civilized and cooperative. Students are obligated, under the terms of enrollment, to adhere to all rules and policies of Cromwell Hall. If during the course of their admission at Cromwell Hall, a student cannot or will not abide by the rules, then that student may be expelled. After consultation with the student, and involved faculty, the Administration may acknowledge that all other corrective avenues have been exhausted and expel the student.

- a. Students are expected to cooperate with basic Christian standards of behavior and conversation. We make it clear to all students that we expect grace and kindness and measure how they treat their fellow students by the Golden Rule.
- b. Cromwell Hall stresses the importance of politeness, curbing disparaging comments, and insists that students handle disagreements without resorting to name-calling or physical confrontation.
- c. Students are expected to be aware of and avoid the off-limits areas of the building or grounds (e.g., driveways and parking areas).
- d. Students are expected to treat all the Cromwell Hall's materials and facilities with respect and care.



- e. No use of cell phones during tutor sessions without tutor permission.
- f. Students are encouraged and expected to be actively involved in a local, like-minded, in-person church. Membership with that church is highly encouraged.

Disciplinary Procedures

Tutors or if required, Administration, will confer with students to explain unacceptable behavior and develop strategies for improving behavior. All inappropriate conduct or communication will be reported to the administration.

Any student who has multiple incidents of misbehavior will receive further disciplinary action as defined by the administration. Students who persist with conduct violations may receive suspension or expulsion.

Suspension and Expulsion

Cromwell Hall realizes that expelling a student from the institution is a very serious matter and should always be carefully, and prayerfully, considered on a case-by-case basis. Students who have been suspended or expelled will not be permitted on campus or at Cromwell Hall sponsored events.

Serious violations of conduct in the following areas may result in immediate suspension or expulsion at the discretion of the administration: improper use of internet or e-mail; sexual misconduct or harassment; abuse of controlled substances; including Marijuana or vaping (any form); possession of firearms or lethal weapons on the property; theft; insubordination to faculty and staff; destruction of Hall property; verbal abuse or cruelty to others; defiance; cheating; bullying or harassment of others; persistent rebellion; using physical or violent behavior toward another student or teacher.

The following will also result in disciplinary action in some form at the discretion of the administration: improper conduct in or out of class; improper use of telecommunication devices; extremes in haircuts, including extreme hair color; not following dress code or presenting a neat well-groomed appearance; public displays of affection at the Hall or at Hall activities

In the event of any disagreement as to the definitions of the above, the interpretation of the tutors, administration and board shall stand.



In the event of expulsion, no refunds, credits, or transfer of funds to another child's or family's account will be allowed.

Re-admittance

Should the expelled student desire to be readmitted to Cromwell Hall at a later date, administration will make the decision based on the student's attitude and circumstances at the time of reapplication.

Cheating

Cheating is a serious offense. It involves the deceitful acquisition of information from some other source other than the student's own mind and presenting it as if it came from his own mind. The intentional enablement of cheating for another individual, e.g. providing your own material for deceitful use by another, may also constitute cheating. Thus, it may involve one or both the components of stealing and lying.

If it is determined that a student has cheated, the following actions will be taken:

- The student will receive a zero on the assignment/test.
- Administration will confer with the student.
- If the student holds any leadership position in a class, club, or athletic team, he will lose his position. Cheating is a violation of honor and leadership is a matter of honor.
- Cheating in any form, properly established, may make the student ineligible for all academic honors or awards in all subjects.
- Suspension and Expulsion may result from an established case of cheating.

Drug and Alcohol Use

It is the Hall's goal to cultivate an atmosphere in which moral and spiritual growth can thrive, integrating lifestyle with Christian principles and devotion to Christ. The Hall encourages students to see that living a Christian lifestyle is based on conscious choices rather than mere adherence to a strict moral code or acceptance of prevailing practices in society at large. Christian lifestyle is expected of all students and consists of practicing Christian virtues and avoiding attitudes and actions that the Bible condemns as sinful.

Cromwell Hall expects its students to abstain from the use of drugs, marijuana and other controlled substances at all times. Experimentation with or use of marijuana or controlled



substances is irresponsible social behavior, a detriment to one's learning potential, destructive of the learning environment for oneself and others, and potentially dangerous. While alcohol consumption is not sinful according to scripture, drunkenness is absolutely condemned. This policy will view drunkenness as a breach of the drug policy. This policy also views the abuse of prescription drugs as breaching the drug policy.

Cromwell Hall believes it has a responsibility to guard the culture of the Hall and will take necessary action to protect the rest of the student body.

Drug Usage: Any student who, regardless of time or location, possesses, uses, or is under the influence of illegal drugs, abusing controlled substances or marijuana, abusing prescription drugs, or who possesses associated paraphernalia, is subject to disciplinary action, which will result in immediate expulsion.

Controlled Substance: Controlled substances are defined as in the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act in Schedules I, II, III, IV, or V.

Authority of the Hall

When students are admitted to Cromwell Hall, they become identified with the Hall and the Hall is judged by the way they conduct themselves. An important part of our mission is to teach our students the tenets necessary to become responsible contributors to the community. Therefore, the authority of the Hall with respect to the student conduct and discipline applies not only on campus, but also to any Cromwell Hall-sponsored event regardless of time or location.

Dress Policy

While the Bible doesn't provide a specific dress code policy for modern contexts, we can derive principles based on Christian morals and values.

Our Guiding Principles:

Modesty. We believe in presenting ourselves in a way that honors God and respects others, avoiding attire that is sexually suggestive or draws undue attention to the body in a way that could be distracting or cause others to stumble (1 Timothy 2:9-10, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20).



Respect. We aim to dress in a way that shows respect for ourselves, for others, and for the environment or occasion we are in.

Dignity. Our clothing should reflect the dignity we have as individuals created in God's image.

Focus on Character. We believe that our inner character and actions are ultimately more important than our outward appearance. However, we also recognize that our clothing can influence how we and others perceive ourselves and interact.

Love and Consideration. We strive to be mindful of how our clothing choices might affect those around us, seeking to avoid causing discomfort or offense.

General Guidelines:

Modesty:

Clothing should adequately cover the body. Avoid excessively revealing attire such as:

- Low-cut tops or dresses that expose excessive cleavage.
- Short skirts or shorts that are inappropriately revealing.
- Midriff-baring tops.
- Sheer or see-through clothing worn without appropriate undergarments.
- Undergarments should not be visible.
- Form-fitting clothing is acceptable as long as it is not excessively tight or revealing in a way that detracts from modesty.
- Leggings should not be worn as standalone pants

Respect and Appropriateness:

Avoid clothing with offensive or inappropriate slogans, images, or messages that contradict Christian values. This includes content that is sexually suggestive, violent, disrespectful, or promotes hatred or discrimination.

Dignity:



While comfort is important, clothing should generally reflect a sense of dignity and intentionality. Avoid overly casual or sloppy attire in settings that call for a more respectful presentation.

Spirit of the Policy:

This dress code is intended to be understood and applied in a spirit of love, grace, and understanding. We recognize that individuals may have different interpretations of modesty, and we encourage open communication and a focus on the underlying principles rather than strict legalistic enforcement. However Tutors' and Administrators' interpretation of the policy will be enforced.

Accountability:

Leaders and designated individuals within Cromwell Hall are responsible for respectfully addressing concerns regarding dress code adherence. The goal is always to educate and encourage understanding, with the ultimate aim of fostering a community that honors God and respects one another.

Flexibility:

We understand that there may be cultural differences, specific needs, or special occasions that may require some flexibility in applying these guidelines. Any exceptions will be considered with sensitivity and in keeping with the overall principles of this policy.

Conclusion:

Our desire is to create an environment where everyone feels comfortable and respected, and where our focus is on our relationship with God and with one another. We believe that thoughtful attention to our outward appearance can contribute to this goal by reflecting the inward transformation and values we hold dear as followers of Christ.