



Student Code of Conduct

Purpose: The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to provide written parameters and guidelines for students of Birali Steiner School in order to ensure appropriate conduct is maintained at all times.		
Scope: Students and employees, including full-time, part-time, permanent, fixed-term and casual employees, as well as contractors, volunteers and people undertaking work experience or vocational placements.		
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References:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birali Behaviour Management Policy • Birali Code of Conduct for Parents & Guardians • Birali Alcohol and Other Illicit Drugs Policy • Birali Enrolment Contract 	

DISCLAIMER:

Please note that this policy should be read in full by the parent first. Please do not read the policy aloud to your child until you have read it first as there are words/terminology within that may not be age appropriate for your child. For children in grades lower than Class 7, parents are to paraphrase age appropriate explanations of the below requirements to their children.

Policy

Birali Steiner School's Student Code of Conduct is based on care and respect for one another. All staff at Birali Steiner School (the School) are guided by restorative principles which are at the core of our conduct codes. As per the Birali Enrolment Contract, families must comply with policies and rules we adopt and update.

Positive communication will underpin a relational approach to behaviour management at Birali, as outlined in the Behaviour Management Policy. In the event of continuous and/or serious breaches of the Student Code of Conduct, the School may decide on temporary withdrawal from the classroom, at-home suspension or expulsion.

It is expected that parents will support students to abide by the Student Code of Conduct and to support its implementation.

Expectations and Responsibilities

Students have the following expectations and responsibilities:

- To show respect for themselves and others at all times; including valuing all cultures, nationalities, religions, gender and sexual orientation
- To be cooperative, courteous and kind
- To show self-discipline, in an age-appropriate manner
- To follow reasonable direction from school staff at all times
- To be respectful of the property and welfare of the School and others;
 - Stealing or deliberate damage of property is unacceptable
 - Accidental breakages/damage must be reported to a teacher or the office immediately
- Students will make the most of their opportunities by;
 - being diligent in class,
 - being respectful and courteous during co-curricular activities such as camps
 - completing any required home studies
- Students are expected to apply themselves to the best of their ability in all areas of their schooling
- Obedience to the law is expected by all students. Consumption of alcohol, tobacco and illicit drugs is prohibited as per the School's Alcohol and Other Illicit Drugs Policy.
- Explicit or inappropriate imagery/media is strictly prohibited
- Unsafe or dangerous objects are not to be brought to school. Specific equipment required for educational purposes, can only be used under the direction of school staff.

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- Students will maintain appropriate physical contact with others while at school or school organised events
- Students are not to leave the classroom or school grounds without permission, and must respect school boundaries
- When using Information Technology (I.T.) all students are expected to be responsible, courteous and follow appropriate content guidelines.

As per the Birali Enrolment Contract, Birali Steiner School may search lockers, bags and property of the Student where it is reasonable for us to do so or as part of a general or random search of a place where we conduct our activities. We may confiscate forbidden or dangerous property.

Student and Parent behaviour in or out of the School affects the School's reputation. This behaviour extends to behaviour in informal gatherings and comments posted on social and digital media. It is expected that student and parent behaviour at all times will not bring the School or a staff member's reputation into disrepute in the wider community.

Student Acknowledgement

Option A (Class 7 and up)

I, _____ (*insert Child's Name*) have read and understood the Birali Steiner School Student Code of Conduct and the expectations of conduct within. I agree to abide by the code and understand there are consequences for non-compliance.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Option B (Under Class 7)

I/We, _____ (*insert Parent's Name/s*) have read and understood the Birali Steiner School Student Code of Conduct and the expectations of conduct within for our child _____ (*insert Child's Name*).

I/We have paraphrased the code to my/our child and confirm their understanding of the expectations of conduct within and they agree to abide by the code and understand there are consequences for non-compliance.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Acknowledgement

I/We, _____ (*insert Parent's Name/s*) have read and understood the Birali Steiner School Student Code of Conduct and the expectations of conduct within for our child _____ (*insert Child's Name*). I/We agree to assist the School to ensure our child abides by the code and understand there are consequences for non-compliance. I/We indemnify Birali Steiner School against any loss or damage caused by any failure by me/us or the student to comply with the School rules and policies. I/We also indemnify the School against any loss or damage caused by the wilful disobedience behaviour of the student.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please ensure BOTH Student Acknowledgement (A or B) and Parent Acknowledgement are completed.