

Swanleigh
Code of Conduct

At Swanleigh there is a commitment to provide a safe, supportive environment for all members of our college community.

To this end, there is commitment to develop and then maintain a “culture of respect” throughout our college community. This “culture of respect” is expressed in the following “Code of Behaviour”

Code of Behaviour: Every member of our college community is encouraged to “choose respect.”

To choose respect is to make a conscious effort to:

- Treat others with Respect, no matter how they treat you
- Treat yourself with Respect
- Forgive others who do not treat you with Respect
- Resist your natural desire to pay back or take revenge
- Apologise when you do not treat others with Respect
- Support others who are not being treated with Respect
- Ask support when others do not treat you with Respect

Fundamental Principles:

The following principles are fundamental to understanding and developing a “Culture of Respect.”

Principal No 1 Every human being is unique , and has inherent worth and value, and therefore, should be treated with Respect. Respect is to be treated with care and consideration.

Principal No 2 Respect is not only an attitude, but an observable behaviour. Respect will be clearly demonstrated in the following areas:

1. Respect for others
2. Respect for yourself
3. Respect for Property
4. Respect for positions of authority
5. Respect for the environment

Principal No 3 Every member of our community knows inherently how to demonstrate respect

Principal No 4 If a member of our community is not treating others or themselves with respect, they are making a conscious choice not to do so.

Principal No 5 Every member of our community is responsible for their own actions and choices. These actions and choices will always have consequences.

Principal No 6 It is acknowledged that every member of our community will at some time fall short of the Code of Behaviour. However, by providing an explicit standard or benchmark for what is right and acceptable behaviour, we are holding up a standard of behaviour to work towards.