



# IMPORTANT POLICIES

Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School is committed to having a positive, safe, learning environment. Therefore, policies are established to provide students with an excellent educational setting and to support the mission of CORLHS.

The Student/Parent Handbook is updated, published, and distributed prior to the beginning of each school year. This handbook contains all of the policies and procedures that students and parents need to know in order to set their student up for success. Each student and parent must sign a responsibility contract in which they state they have read the handbook and agree to follow the policies and procedures listed therein.

The following are portions of some of the policies found in the Student/Parent Handbook:

**Christian Conduct** — Students enrolled at CORLHS are expected to adhere to the basic principles of Christian conduct as outlined in God's Word. For these principles, we look to the Old Testament law of the Ten Commandments and to Jesus' words recorded in Mark 12:30-31, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength... Love your neighbor as yourself." It is our prayer that the love of Christ compels each student to live for Him. Therefore, CORLHS expects all of our students to conduct themselves according to the following principles: be respectful, be restrained, be responsible.

**Discipline** — When a student at CORLHS fails to follow any of these rules of the school, he/she needs to be "set right". If a student does not recognize his/her improper behavior, it needs to be pointed out to them. Confession is the first step in being "set right". Secondly, we expect students to repent for their wrongdoing. To repent means to have a change of heart. Actions and words of remorse demonstrate this change of heart. When repentance occurs, forgiveness follows. God has been gracious and merciful to us, forgiving us of our sins and sending his only Son, Jesus Christ to suffer, die, and rise in victory to wash away our sins. As we live in the Gospel of our Lord, we show this forgiveness to others.

However, we also recognize the need to have direct consequences for improper behavior. Our concern is for the student who has behaved improperly and for other students and staff that this behavior affects. To curb improper behavior, to help students learn from their mistakes, and to lead students to improved self-discipline, specific guidelines and consequences have been established, including the use of detentions.

**Dress Code** — CORLHS wishes its students to be appropriately groomed and dressed, reflecting self-esteem, school pride, and our relationship with our Lord. The responsibility for proper dress and good grooming rests with the individual and his/her parents. Students are to wear clothing that is acceptable within the following dress code:

### Upperbody

- Tops that cover the torso and have a sleeve are acceptable, but may only have a small symbol or writing over the left chest area. Tops should not be form fitting or low cut.
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times.
- No headwear, sunglasses, or jackets are to be worn.
- For boys, hair cannot touch the collar (of a T-shirt). Facial hair is to be kept trimmed and well-groomed. Extreme and/or bizarre hairstyles and unnatural colors are not acceptable.

### Lowerbody

- Pants should fit appropriately. Wide-legged, tight fitting, frayed/torn, or athletic pants are not acceptable.
- Shorts are acceptable at specified times of the school year. Athletic shorts are not to be worn. Shorts must extend below the fingertips when standing with arms straight at the side.
- Dresses and skirts are acceptable. These must extend below the fingertips when standing with arms straight.
- All pants, shorts, and skirts should not have any writing on them, should be worn around the waist, and should be worn with a belt if they have belt loops.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. No open-toe shoes unless they are secured behind the heel.

### General Guidelines

- Clothing must fit properly and be worn correctly. Clothing must be kept in good condition.
- No body piercing (other than in the ear) is allowed.
- Other clothing or items that take away from a quality learning environment will not be allowed.

**Random Drug Testing** — Staying free of the use of illegal drugs or alcohol is crucial to a student's success in school and life and is appropriate in our effort to glorify God in all that we do. Therefore, CORLHS has a random drug testing program. The purpose of the random drug testing program is to provide for the health and safety of all students, and to undermine the effects of peer pressure by providing a legitimate reason for students to refuse to use illegal drugs or alcohol.

*The Association Board of Directors sets all policies for Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School and reserves the right to make adjustments or changes to school policy at any time.*