

## **Annunciation Catholic Elementary IB World School Child Protection Policy**

### **Philosophy**

Annunciation Catholic Elementary IB World School is committed to providing a welcoming, respectful, caring, safe and secure environment for all of its students. All staff members ensure our students are provided with opportunities to receive an effective education that further develops their physical, social, and emotional well-being. "In this environment the goodness, dignity, and worth of all are recognized and all are held accountable for their actions." (Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7. 2018. *Administrative Procedures Manual. AP 351*).

"Believing that all people are created in the image and likeness of God, the District recognizes all are capable of good and therefore, inappropriate behaviour is challenged but the individual is affirmed. Students have the opportunity for growth and for choice with the understanding that there are logical consequences that follow their actions in order to ensure the welfare and security of the entire community." (Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7. 2018. *Administrative Procedures Manual. AP 351*).

### **Student Responsibilities**

Students have a legislated responsibility to:

1. "Students shall contribute to the best of their ability to the realization of a Catholic Christian school community.
2. Students shall participate to the best of their ability in the education program assigned to them.
3. Students shall be responsible for their own learning.
4. Students shall be responsible and accountable for their behaviour and conduct
  - 4.1 While involved in school-sponsored or related activities;
  - 4.2 While on school property;
  - 4.3 During recess or lunch periods on or off school property;
  - 4.4 While travelling to and from school; and
  - 4.5 Beyond the hours of school operation if the behaviour or conduct detrimentally affects the welfare of individual students or the governance, climate, or efficiency of the school(s).
5. Students shall be concerned about the safety of themselves and others.
6. Students shall conform to the procedures and rules of the school, the District, and Alberta Education.
7. Students shall treat school property with proper respect. Students who cause willful damage shall be expected to make restitution." (Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7. 2018. *Administrative Procedures Manual. AP 350*).

- "1.1 Attend school regularly and punctually;
- 1.2 Be ready to learn and actively engage in and diligently pursue the student's education;
- 1.3 Ensure that their conduct contributes to a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging;
- 1.4 Respect the rights of others in the school;
- 1.5 Refrain from, report and not tolerate bullying or bullying behaviour directed toward others in the school, whether or not it occurs within the school building, during the school day or by electronic means;
- 1.6 Comply with the rules of the school and the procedures of the District;
- 1.7 Cooperate with everyone authorized by the District to provide education programs and other services;
- 1.8 Be accountable to the student's teachers and other school staff for the student's conduct, and,
- 1.9 Positively contribute to the school and community" (Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7. 2018. *Administrative Procedures Manual. AP 351*).

### **District Staff Responsibilities**

"The District, as a partner in education, has a legislated responsibility to:

- 3.1 Deliver appropriate education programming to meet the needs of all students and to enable their success;

- 3.2 Ensure that each student and each staff member is provided with a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging; and,
- 3.3 In respect of the above, establish, implement and maintain an Administrative Procedure that includes the establishment of a code of conduct for students that addresses bullying behaviour.
4. The Principal will ensure that each school will have in place a Student Code of Conduct procedure consistent with the values, beliefs and principles enunciated in the District Mission Statement.” (Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7. 2018. *Administrative Procedures Manual. AP 351*).

### **Parent Responsibilities**

A parent has the right to choose the kind of education that shall be provided to his/her child and as a partner in education, has the legislated responsibility to:

- 2.1 Act as the primary guide and decision-maker with respect to their child’s education,
- 2.2 Take an active role in the child’s educational success, including assisting their child with complying with the child’s legislated responsibilities;
- 2.3 Ensure that their child attends school regularly;
- 2.4 Ensure that their conduct contributes to a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment;
- 2.5 Cooperate and collaborate with school staff to support the delivery of specialized supports and services to their child;
- 2.6 Encourage, foster and advance collaborative, positive and respectful relationships with teachers, principals, other school staff and professionals providing supports and services in the school; and
- 2.7 Engage in the child’s school community.

Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7. (2018). *Administrative Procedures Manual. AP 350 Student Responsibility*.

Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7. (2018). *Administrative Procedures Manual. AP 351 Student Code of Conduct*.

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