

The Green and Golden Rule of Canterbury High School

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**Respect yourself, all others, our school, and our community
at all times either in person or online.**

How Does This Look?

As we work and learn together, we must ensure that everyone feels safe, included, seen, and valued while in our building. A strong community of learners is built on respect, curiosity, academic investment, daily attendance, and supporting each other in our challenges.

Yourself

- In order to make your learning time most effective, please be in your class on time and with all of your materials.
- Maintain academic integrity by ensuring that you always present your own ideas, words, and thoughts.
- Maximise your curiosity and your strengths by being an active member of the class as best you can and in your own way.
- Present yourself online with the knowledge that everything you say and do is permanent and can be accessed by friends, family, future employers, and community members.
- Seek out help, academically and otherwise, when you need it.

The Classroom

- In order to make everyone's learning most effective, please avoid disruptions during class time. This includes avoidable late arrivals, avoidable breaks during class, and avoidable early departures.
- If you need to go to the bathroom, please go as efficiently and as quickly as possible and return straight to class.
- Ask permission to leave the class and sign out as needed.
- If you know that you will be absent for whatever reason, please make every effort to inform your teacher (and group members if applicable) as soon as possible. This must be prior to the start of class.
- Remind parents that they must inform the school of any time that you are away from school.
- If you have an appointment within the school (eg. Student Services; VP; etc) please request permission at the start of class so the teacher can ensure that your learning is not interrupted.

The Halls

- Brief conversations as we meet each other in the halls are common. Please ensure that these are not delaying you unduly from returning you to class.
- While you are in the halls during class, do not interrupt or interact with other classes or the students within. This is interfering in the learning of others.

- If you have a spare, you are welcome to work quietly in the halls, the main lobby, and the lower lobby. Please respect the learning environment of classes by being as quiet as you can. You are also free to work in the library if it is available.
- Be advised that you may be asked to move if a nearby classroom teacher finds you distracting despite your best efforts. Please comply with any request to move.
- If you wish to socialise or collaborate during your spare, please either ensure that it is very quiet or that you leave the building.

The School

- Please put your garbage and recycling in the appropriate receptacles.
- Please comply with any reasonable request from any staff member. If you have any concerns about the request see the Vice-Principal assigned to you after you have complied.
- Remember that Canterbury High School is a scent free environment.
- Please be courteous to all students and staff you meet in the building and on our school grounds.
- All visitors must sign in to the main office and obtain permission to be in the building. Do not invite non-Canterbury students to the school.

The Community

- Remember that we all represent our school as we interact with our neighbours and local businesses.
- Polite and well mannered with and around all members of the community.

Electronics

- Do not use your phone or earphones in class without permission from your teacher.
- Please treat any and all electronics provided for you with respect. This includes Chromebooks.
- Electronics provided to you by the school are for school purposes only.
- Electronics you own must not undermine the purpose of learning or the well-being of yourself or others.

The Office

- The Main Office will happily provide you with support before and after the school day as well as during lunch.
- The Main Office is available at any time to support students during emergencies (eg. Injuries) and for the purposes of signing in or signing out.