



The American International School—Duhok

Student Code of Conduct Policy

Policy Number: AS03

Effective Date: November 28, 2023

1. Purpose:

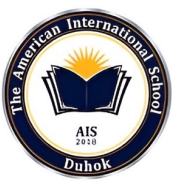
The purpose of this Student Code of Conduct Policy is to establish clear expectations for student behavior, promote a safe and respectful learning environment, and ensure the well-being and success of all students at the American International School—Duhok, herein after referred to as AIS or the School. This policy applies to all students enrolled in the school.

2. Respect for Self and Others:

- a. **Respect:** Students must treat themselves, fellow students, teachers, staff, and visitors with respect, kindness, and courtesy at all times.
- b. **Bullying and Harassment:** Bullying, harassment, intimidation, or any form of mistreatment towards others is strictly prohibited. This includes physical, verbal, written, or cyberbullying. Refer to AIS's Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy (AS05).
- c. **Diversity and Inclusion:** Students should embrace diversity, respect differences, and contribute to a welcoming and inclusive environment, free from discrimination based on race, ethnicity, gender, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or any other protected characteristic. Refer to AIS's Nondiscrimination Policy (AS12).

3. Academic Responsibility:

- a. **Attendance and Punctuality:** Students are expected to attend school regularly and arrive on time for classes and activities, unless excused for valid reasons. Excessive absenteeism or tardiness may have consequences. Refer to AIS's Attendance Policy (AS02).
- b. **Academic Integrity:** Students must adhere to the principles of academic integrity, including honesty, integrity, and responsible conduct in all academic activities. Plagiarism, cheating, or any form of academic dishonesty is strictly prohibited. Refer to AIS's Academic Integrity Policy (AS04).
- c. **Homework and Assignments:** Students are responsible for completing and submitting their homework and assignments on time, according to the guidelines provided by the teachers. Refer to AIS's Homework Policy (AS13).
- d. **Preparedness:** Students should come to class prepared with the necessary materials, such as textbooks, notebooks, and assignments.



4. Personal Conduct and Safety:

- a. **Personal Hygiene and Dress Code:** Students should maintain proper personal hygiene and adhere to the school's dress code policy, which promotes modesty, cleanliness, and appropriateness for a school setting. Refer to AIS's Dress Code Policy (AS07).
- b. **Substance Abuse:** The use, possession, distribution, or sale of illegal substances, tobacco, alcohol, or any other controlled substances is strictly prohibited on school premises or during school-sponsored events.
- c. **Safety and Security:** Students must adhere to all safety guidelines and procedures established by the school. Any behavior that poses a threat to the safety of oneself or others, including violence, weapons possession, or threats, will not be tolerated.

5. Technology and Internet Usage:

- a. **Responsible Use:** Students should use school-provided technology resources and the internet responsibly, adhering to the school's acceptable use policy. This includes respecting intellectual property rights, avoiding inappropriate content, and using technology for educational purposes.
- b. **Cyberbullying:** Cyberbullying, harassment, or any form of harmful online behavior is strictly prohibited. Students should use digital communication platforms in a respectful and responsible manner. Refer to AIS's Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy (AS05).

6. Consequences:

- a. Consequences for violating the Student Code of Conduct may vary based on the severity of the offense, the student's age/grade, and the School's discretion.
- b. Possible consequences may include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - i. Verbal warning
 - ii. Written warning or reprimand
 - iii. Loss of privileges (e.g., participation in extracurricular activities)
 - iv. Parent/guardian notification
 - v. Suspension or expulsion, as determined by the School administration

7. Reporting and Investigation:

- a. **Reporting:** Students, teachers, or any member of the school community who becomes aware of a potential violation of the Student Code of Conduct should report it to a teacher, staff member, or School administration.
- b. **Investigation:** The School administration will conduct a fair and thorough investigation of reported incidents, ensuring confidentiality and impartiality throughout the process. The investigation may involve gathering evidence, speaking with involved parties, and applying appropriate consequences based on the findings.



8. Review and Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. Feedback from students, parents, staff, and relevant stakeholders will be considered in the policy's evaluation and improvement.

9. Authority

This policy shall be subject to periodic review and revision to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. The ultimate authority for policy approval within the school rests with the school's governing body. This policy shall take effect upon approval by the school's governing body.

10. Policy Adoption

Approved: November 28, 2023

Amended: