



# NSCA Code of Conduct

## PURPOSE

New Springs Christian Academy (NSCA) exists to partner with families in raising students who love God, love others, and pursue excellence. This Code of Conduct summarizes the standards of respect, honor, and personal responsibility that every student is expected to practice, and that every parent/guardian agrees to reinforce at home. By signing below, you acknowledge that violations of this Code will invoke the NSCA Disciplinary Action Policy procedures.

## 1. MUTUAL COMMITMENT

**As a school-family partnership we commit to:**

- Uphold the truths of Scripture in word and deed.
- Foster a safe, orderly, Christ-honoring learning environment.
- Address misconduct swiftly, prayerfully, and in accordance with Matthew 18.

## 2. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

**Every NSCA student agrees to:**

### 1. Be Respectful

Speak and act with kindness toward classmates, teachers, staff, and visitors.

### 2. Honor Authority

Obey teachers and staff promptly without argument or disrespect.

### 3. Demonstrate Integrity

Refrain from cheating, lying, swearing, or stealing.

### 4. Protect Property

Care for school facilities, supplies, and the belongings of others.

### 5. Engage in Learning

Arrive prepared, complete assignments, and refrain from disruptive behavior.

### 6. Use Technology Wisely

Follow school guidelines for computers, Internet, and personal devices.

### 7. Resolve Conflict Biblically

Seek reconciliation one-to-one; involve authority only as needed (Matthew 18).

## **8. Reject Harmful Substances & Materials**

Firearms, weapons, vaping devices, drugs, alcohol, and pornography are strictly prohibited on campus and at school events (Zero-Tolerance).

## **3. PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Parents and guardians commit to:**

### **1. Model Christ-like Character and Honor Towards Authority**

Exhibit respect toward teachers, staff, students, and other families. **Parents agree to refrain from arguing, verbally attacking or harassing school staff in defense of their children's behavior.** Parents agree to take ownership of their children's behavior while at school and to assist classroom teachers in the redirection of their child's focus to the school Code of Conduct while on school grounds in order to maintain a cohesive and productive learning environment for all students. Parents agree to model and teach Christ-like conflict resolution at home in accordance with Matthew 18.

### **2. Encourage a Positive Attitude Toward Learning**

Support homework routines and celebrate effort. Reward positive classroom behavior and reinforce a servant's heart attitude.

### **3. Support NSCA Discipline Policy**

Partner with teachers and the Administrator when correction is necessary, following the steps outlined in the Disciplinary Action Policy. Parents agree to follow and enforce the consensus of an equitable solution attained by a joint meeting between the parents and the classroom teacher in accordance with guidance from the School Administrator.

### **4. Maintain Open Communication**

Bring questions or concerns directly to the appropriate person in a spirit of unity, respect and confidentiality.

### **5. Nurture Spiritual Growth at Home**

Engage regularly in Scripture reading, prayer, selfless service and local-church worship.

### **6. Promote Humility**

Guide children to share classroom items or experiences that highlight God's creation rather than material status.

#### **4. Acknowledgment of Disciplinary Action Policy Framework Summary**

**We understand that:**

NSCA documents and escalates misconduct according to the following framework:

<b>FIRST OFFENSE</b>	Discussion between teacher and student
<b>SECOND OFFENSE</b>	Discussion between teacher, student and Administrator
<b>THIRD OFFENSE</b>	In-school phone call by student to parent in the presence of School Administrator and teacher with an in-person meeting with parents to follow.
<b>FOURTH OFFENSE</b>	In-school disciplinary action that may include loss of privileges, loss of recess, detention, etc. The School Liaison Representatives of the School Board will be notified of the situation.
<b>FIFTH OFFENSE</b>	Suspension considerations and recommendations by the Administrator commence under School Board review.
<b>SIXTH OFFENSE</b>	Expulsion considerations and recommendations by the Administrator commence under School Board review.

**NOTE:** Zero-tolerance violations (weapons, drugs, pornographic material, physical aggression, acts of violence, etc.) result in immediate administrative action and possible police notification.

### **5. Agreement & Signatures**

**We have read, understand, and agree to uphold the Student & Parent Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Action Policy Summary as stated above. We accept responsibility for our child(ren)'s behavior and will partner with NSCA to apply the Disciplinary Action Policy when necessary.**

Printed Name	Signature	Date
Student Name	Student Name	
Student Name	Student Name	
Student Name	Student Name	

*“Love the Lord your God with all your heart ... and love your neighbor as yourself.” – Matthew 22:37-39*