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MAGAU PRIMARY SCHOOL

# LEARNERS CODE OF CONDUCT



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1. This document is referred to as the code of conduct for Magau Primary School.

### 2. PREAMBLE

- This code of conduct is subject to the constitution of the Republic South Africa, Act no 108 of 1996 and South African Schools Act no 84 of 1996 as amended. It reflects the constitutional democracy, basic human rights and transparent communication which underpins South African Society

The following values are enshrined in the constitution

- Human dignity, equality, human rights and freedom
- Non- racialism and non – sexism

### 3. AIM

- The purpose of this document is to promote corrective and progressive discipline, self discipline and exemplary conduct as learners learn through observation and experience.
- This document contains a set of moral values, norms and principles which the school community should uphold and enforceable to the learners enrolled at Magau Primary School.
- All key stakeholders should be committed to the code of conduct even though it is directed specifically to learners.
- The School Governing Body ( SGB ) is empowered by the South African Schools Act to maintain discipline in the school. The SGB is there to prescribe the behaviour that respects the rights of learners and educators that will enhance the spirit of learning and teaching.

### 4. THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITY OF LEARNERS

- a) The right to work and learn without disturbance by other- not to prevent other from working and learning
- b) Each learner has the right to privacy, respect and dignity
- c) To be treated with respect and courtesy – act courteously towards other and respect them
- d) Each learner has the right to personal safety and no violence
- e) No corporal punishment should be executed
- f) Learners have the right to a clean, a safe environment and a healthy environment with clean water
- g) Not to be subjected to physical, intellectual and emotional sexual harassment
- h) Learners have the right to develop holistically and to expect educators to maintain a high standard of education
- i) Learners are responsible for regular school attendance
- j) All learners have the right to freedom of speech
- k) Learner's responsibilities boil down to committing themselves to doing all work assigned to them, in class or at home and also to complete work when they are absent
- l) It is the responsibility and duty of all learners to take care of the school's property and parents of any learner who abuses or intentionally damages the school's property are responsible for repairing or paying for the damage
- m) Educators may not send learners away from school grounds during school hours without the permission of the school manager

### THE CODE OF CONDUCT

- Learners must arrive at school ten (10) Minutes before the first bell rings.
- The use of vulgar and abusive words is not allowed in the school premises.
- Learners are expected to take all lost items picked in the school premises to the educators or principal.
- Stealing from educators, other learners and support staff is not allowed.
- Learners are not allowed to leave the classroom without the educator's permission.
- No learner is allowed to go through the school gate during school hours without the Principal's permission.
- Wearing school uniform every day is compulsory.
- Playing in the vegetable garden, around the toilets and administration block is not allowed
- It is the responsibility of every learner to keep the school surrounding tidy and neat
- Parents should inform the school management when learners are absent from school due to Illness or any other serious matter
- Learners should wash and sanitize their hands after visiting toilets and even before they eat
- According to Covid – 19 standard operating procedures, learners who fall sick during school hours will be kept in the holding room
- Learners who are kept in the holding room will only leave the school premises accompanied by parents or guardians
- Learners in the school premises shall always observe Covid – 19 protocols e.g. sanitizing, Maintaining, correct social distancing and washing hands.
- Learners are not allowed to come to school under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or in possession of such
- Learners are not allowed to bring cell phones within the school premises.
- Learner who misbehave, bully or hurt other learners shall be logged in the learner's Misconduct book, if such persists, parents will be called in to determine corrective measures and counselling to both the victims and perpetrator.
- Learners are not allowed to carry dangerous weapons within the school premises e.g knives or any other sharp objects
- Learners who damage school property shall be liable to pay e.g. Window panes, doors, light bulbs ect
- Learners who injure other learners, educators or support staff with dangerous weapons e.g knives or any other sharp objects will be dealt with by law enforcement authorities as doing such results in breaking some of the civil laws.



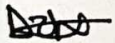
### MAGAU PRIMARY DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCES- CODE LIST

MISCONDUCT LEVEL	DISCRIPTION OF MISCONDUCT	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
<b>LEVEL: 1</b> General misbehaviour in class and in the school premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Late coming in the morning and during intervals</li> <li>• Leaving classroom without permission</li> <li>• Disrespecting educators</li> <li>• Not wearing school uniforms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Menial work- picking up papers in the surrounding</li> <li>• Working in the garden</li> <li>• Verbal warning</li> </ul>
<b>LEVEL: 2</b> The learners violates some of the school rules ( code of conduct)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Using vulgar words in the school premises</li> <li>• Verbally abusing other learners and educators</li> <li>• Cheating during examination</li> <li>• Bunking classes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have a serious talk with the learner</li> <li>• Talk to the parents or guardian</li> <li>• Give a learner written warning</li> </ul>
<b>LEVEL: 3</b> The learner seriously violates school rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The learner is found in the possession of stupefying substances e.g cigarettes, alcohol</li> <li>• Coming to school under the influence of drugs, alcohol etc.</li> <li>• Found selling drugs in the school premises</li> <li>• Having disruptive behaviour</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The learner's guardian or parent is summoned to school in order to take corrective measure</li> <li>• The safety committee is asked to intervene</li> <li>• The learner is logged in the learner's misconduct book</li> </ul>
<b>LEVEL: 4</b> Very serious violation of school code of conduct and school rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The learner is found bullying another learner</li> <li>• The learner injures another learner</li> <li>• Throwing dangerous objects at other learners e.g stones</li> <li>• The learner is found having brought a cell phone and using it at school</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correct counselling for both the bully and the one who is being bullied</li> <li>• Parents or guardians are called in, in order to take good corrective measures</li> <li>• The cell phone will be confiscated</li> <li>• Parents are summoned to listen to the matter and take back the communicative device.</li> <li>• The learner is suspended from attending lessons for a period of one (1) week to give him/ her time to reform from such bad behaviour</li> </ul>

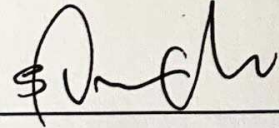




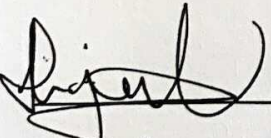
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<b>LEVEL: 5</b> Serious violation of school code of conduct, school rules and also civil laws	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spoiling or damaging toilet seat during toilet visits</li> <li>• The learner stealing from other learner or educators or the school</li> <li>• The learners damages the school property e.g window panes, desks, doors, light bulbs ect</li> <li>• The learner is found carrying dangerous weapons in the school premises e.g knives or any other sharp objects</li> <li>• The learner seriously injures another learner or educator with dangerous weapon e.g stabbing with a knife, any other sharp object etc</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learners who damage school property shall be liable to pay e.g window panes, door etc</li> <li>• The safety committee is asked to intervene on learners who carry dangerous weapons</li> <li>• Parents or guardians are also called in order to take good corrective measures</li> <li>• The SGB is called in to intervene</li> <li>• Law enforcement authorities are involved where in a learner breaks some of the civil laws</li> <li>• Application to the Department for expulsion or transfer from school after a tribunal hearing</li> </ul>

  
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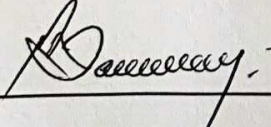
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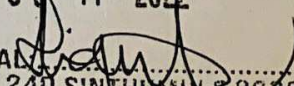
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