

A.A.H.S.S. / Austin Christian
Mission Statement

A.A.H.S.S./ Austin Christian is an association formed for the purpose of providing excellence in education to home school families in a setting and manner which glorifies God.

Code of Conduct

- 1) No student will be permitted to participate in AAHSS/ Austin Christian Co-op activities without the following forms (signed where applicable): Co-op registration/parental consent, medical treatment information, signed code of conduct and financial forms (with payment or arrangement form) where applicable.**
- 2) All students under the age of 11 are required to have a parent (or designated agent of that parent) with them at all times. Each parent is directly responsible for the activities of their children. All students are required to display respect for fellow students, teachers, instructors, parents, and any other persons they may come in contact with while participating in any AAHSS/ Austin Christian Co-op activities. Disrespectful behavior is not acceptable. It will be reported to parents and an amicable solution derived. Disrespectful behavior includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with simple tasks (picking up trash, etc.), ignoring adults in charge, being insolent, abusive language, outbursts of anger, cursing and violent behavior.**
- 3) Also included in unacceptable behavior is: being overly aggressive, bullying any sibling, fellow student or child at facilities or organization gatherings; and theft (taking anything which belongs to another). Past experience has shown us theft is not a problem which is quickly rehabilitated. Therefore, depending upon the cooperation of the student and parents involved, the problem will at least be dealt with firmly.**
- 4) Other activities not permitted: the possession of literature, pictures, or recordings presenting an indecent or immoral activity or ungodly belief or philosophy; gambling or use of tobacco, alcohol, or narcotic drugs or the implied use of these.**
- 5) E-mail addresses and lists of team and organization members are private and use must be cleared with administration.**
- 6) Students will treat equipment and all facilities with the highest level of care possible. Parents will be held responsible for items damaged due to irresponsible actions. At no time may students use any equipment without permission.**
- 7) While we assume all parents will be respectful of all teachers, administrative volunteers, students, and each other, we request they do show such respect. If there are any problems, administration will address them and deal with them appropriately.**
- 8) As most families are conservative and many advocate courtship for their teens or allow teen group activities only, there should be no discussion of the opposite sex which suggests any impure motivations.**
- 9) We are an organization which includes Christ in all of our activities. Therefore, there will be prayer involved in our activities.**

Dress Code

As in any group of people, we have diversity of convictions and lifestyles. In an effort to minimize offenses to one another, it seems wisest to let the Lord's love restrain us in our selections of clothing.

- 1) Shorts should be at least mid-thigh.**
- 2) Skirts and dresses should be knee length. Slits in the dresses or skirts should come no higher than the top of the knee.**
- 3) Tank tops or dresses with spaghetti straps may be worn if an opaque shirt or jacket is worn over the top at all times. Modest coverage is expected.**
- 4) No undergarments of any kind should be visible at any time.**
- 5) No skimpy, sheer, or tight fitting clothing should be worn.**
- 6) No body-piercing jewelry of any kind for men and boys. Earrings are allowed for girls.**

Discipline

All participants are expected and encouraged to exercise personal self discipline, restraint and genuine kindness toward others. It is hoped that anyone viewing infringement of our code of ethics should report such infringement. From experience, we have learned that an ignored situation is a disservice to everyone involved. It encourages the student breaking the rule to continue and solidify their bad behavior....and brings frustration to the person wronged (if applicable).

Incident Report

Whenever an individual violates policy or rules, a parent, teacher, or anyone involved in oversight may submit the report. The individual will receive a copy of the report and details of the violation. The person reporting the violation to the person completing the incident report may be held as confidential if requested. Students or parents of those students accused of an offense are not permitted to privately interrogate other individuals or parents involved as this can be intimidating and is improper. Also, stirring ill will as a result of a report is not acceptable and will be disciplined. The incident report is used as documentation for disciplinary measures that may need to be carried out by administration and is confidential. Once the administrator has received the report, the Steering Committee and/ or the Ethics Committee (depending on severity) will administer disciplinary action as needed.

IN CLOSING

May we all encourage each other to not only receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior but also to walk in the Spirit, growing up in Christ who is the Head, living out Christ in all aspects of leadership, self-discipline, individual responsibility, personal integrity and good citizenship.

May we, with our whole heart, actively seek to be filled with the Lord, developing and maintaining an appetite for God's Word, diligent to keep the oneness of Spirit.

May we be one with the Lord to such an extent that we bring into obedience to Christ our dress, appearance, thought life, conversation, attitudes, habits and relationships, glorifying the Lord and not ourselves.

Parent/ Guardian Signature _____