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HOSTEL POLICY

LEARNER-PROCEDURES AND HOSTEL RULES

1. DRESS CODE FOR HOSTEL STUDENTS

- 1.1 Students must be fully dressed at all times. Pyjamas and dressing gowns may not be worn in public.
- 1.2 Students are not allowed to run naked from the bathrooms to their dormitories. All students must be fully dressed.
- 1.3 No student is allowed to go to meals in their pyjamas, without underwear or with towels wrapped around them.
- 1.4 Boys are not allowed to go to meals with caps, hats etc. on their heads. Girls' hair must be combed neatly, can be covered, but not with big hats.
- 1.5 As soon as the lights are switched on in the hostels, all curtains must be closed. Students are not allowed to dress in front of open windows or curtains.

2 GENERAL BEHAVIOUR

- 2.1 Use of alcohol, smoking and use of drugs will not be tolerated.
- No intimidation of fellow students or physical confrontation (fighting) will be tolerated.
- 2.3 Weapons (knives, clubs or firearm's) or any other similar objects are not allowed.
- 2.4 The Boarding Master is authorised to carry out the following as required:
 - a) bag and / or body search.
 - b) drug / alcohol test.
- 2.5 Visitors have to report to the Boarding Master before contact may be made with any hostel student.
- 2.6 No day scholars may visit hostel students without permission from the Boarding Master.
- 2.7 Open weekends will be once per term, usually from Thursday afternoon to Sunday. Students may only leave the hostel for a weekend if a parent / guardian faxes a letter of consent and includes a contact number.

- 2.8 Students of the opposite sex are not allowed in one another's rooms.
- 2.9 Students may not go to rooms other than their own.
- 2.10 No student may change rooms or beds without the Boarding Master / Matron's consent.
- 2.11 No furniture may be removed from rooms.

3 DORMITORY RULES

- 3.1 Students are woken up at 05H30 on school days.
- 3.2 Students must make their beds and ensure their rooms are neat.
- 3.3 Students must go and shower, brush teeth etc.
- 3.4 Students must be out of showers by 06H15.
- 3.5 Students must be ready for inspection by 06H30.
- 3.6 Students must be dressed for school timeously.
- 3.7 Dormitories must be clean and tidy.
- 3.8 Bathrooms must be clean and tidy.
- 3.9 Students must be out of the hostels before the bell rings for school at 07H45.
- 3.10 Prefects will check whether students are dressed and wearing the correct school uniform.
- 3.11 No irons may be kept in Student's rooms. A lockable cupboard in the kitchen is allocated for storing irons.
- 3.12 Lights-out is at 22H00.
- 3.13 No activities are allowed after lights out, e.g. no jumping on beds or noisemaking.

4 BATHROOM RULES

- 4.1 Must be clean and tidy at all times in order to maintain hygiene standards.
- 4.2 Taps must be properly closed.
- 4.3 Basins must be washed.
- 4.4 Toilets must be flushed.

5 **GENERAL RULES**

- 5.1 Bath time is after supper.
- 5.2 **All meals are compulsory for learners to attend.** Students have to attend the dining hall even if they are not eating.
- 5.3 Students are not allowed to do homework during breakfast.
- 5.4 Study:
 - a) Study time is from 19H00 until 21H00 daily and is compulsory for all students. Grade 12's are required to study 4 hours per day during exam times.

- b) No cell phones are permitted during study time.
- c) No eating and drinking during study.
- d) No walking around or talking allowed during study.
- e) Students must tidy the hall after every study session.
- 5.5 Lights-out is at 22H00.
- 5.6 The television is switched off at 22H00 over weekends.
- 5.7 Students may never leave the school grounds without the Boarding Master's consent and signing of the leave register.
- 5.8 Students who are sick must report to the Boarding Master before breakfast. If a student is sick and needs to lie down during school hours they must report to Mrs. Marlize Parsons (Hostel Secretary) where a permission letter must be obtained and given to the Hostel Matron. Should a student need to go to the Doctor during school hours, a parent / guardian will be contacted and permission letter given. All permission letters must be given to the Hostel Matron.
- 5.9 No ironing clothes in dormitories. Students may iron in the hall. Any irons found in hostel rooms will be confiscated and a R10 fine is payable to get the iron back.
- 5.10 **Town leave will only be allowed once per month.** This is the first weekend of the new month.

6 MEALS AND DINING HALL PROCEDURE

- 6.1 Students must line-up outside the hall.
- 6.2 Students must be seated at the tables allocated by the Boarding Master.
- 6.3 Students are not to make a noise during dining-hall sessions.
- 6.4 Each table has a table leader.
- 6.5 All meals are compulsory, ie breakfast, lunch and supper.
- 6.6 Students are not allowed to remove cutlery or crockery (plates, knives, forks and spoons) from the table and may only leave once their eating areas are neat.
- 6.7 Each table leader is responsible for the cutlery and crockery at his / her table. Leaders must collect cutlery.
- 6.8 Cutlery must be handed over to the general assistant responsible for washing up.
- 6.9 All left-over food is thrown away in a dustbin placed outside the kitchen door.
- 6.10 Doors will be locked 10 minutes after the bell has rung.

 Latecomers will not be allowed to enter.

7 HOSTEL PREFECTS - Duties

7.1 Ensure all students in your room wake up at 05H00 when the bell rings.

- 7.2 Ensure all students in your room go and shower, brush teeth etc.
- 7.3 Ensure all students are out of showers by 06H15.
- 7.4 Ensure all students are ready for inspection by 06H30.
- 7.5 Ensure all students are dressed for school.
- 7.6 Ensure dormitories are clean and tidy.
- 7.7 Check whether students are wearing the correct uniform.
- 7.8 Bathroom inspection must be clean and tidy, ie:
 - a) Taps must be properly closed.
 - b) Basins must be rinsed.
 - c) Toilets must be flushed.
- 7.9 Arrangement of students outside the dining hall.
- 7.10 Check that students are seated at the correct tables.
- 7.11 Students are not to make noise during dining-hall sessions.
- 7.12 Students are not allowed to do homework during breakfast.
- 7.13 Ensure students do not remove eating utensils from the dining hall.
- 7.14 Ensure all students attend breakfast, lunch and supper, even if they are not eating.
- 7.15 Study time starts at 19H00 and ends at 21H00.
- 7.16 Prefects are to assemble students 5 minutes before 19H00 to leave the dormitories and line-up in front of the study hall.
- 7.17 Prefects are to report students that are ill and cannot attend study to the Boarding Master.
- 7.18 Ensure that students clean after study sessions.
- 7.19 **Maintain order during study.**
- 7.20 Lights-out is at 22H00.
- 7.21 No activities are allowed after lights-out, e.g. no jumping on beds or noisemaking
- 7.22 The television is switched off at 22H00 over weekends.
- 7.23 Report any damages to the hostel or furniture within to the Boarding Master.
- 7.24 Prefects are on duty during weekends as well.
- 7.25 Prefects to be evaluated by Boarding Master and Matron on duty.

WEEKEND RELEASE

ONLY THE LEGAL PARENT / GUARDIAN WILL BE ALLOWED TO REQUEST PERMISSION FOR A CHILD TO LEAVE THE HOSTEL FOR A WEEKEND.

THIS REQUEST HAS TO BE IN WRITING AND HAS TO BE SENT TO THE SCHOOL BY WEDNESDAY, PRIOR TO THE WEEKEND. IN CASE OF A RELATIVE (ETC) FETCHING THE CHILD A WRITTEN LETTER OF APPROVAL HAS TO ACCOMPANY THE REQUEST.

EMAILS FOR YOUR & CHURCH AND FOR WEEKEND LEAVE HAS TO BE SEND TO SCA1@LANTIC.NET BY THE WEDNESDAY. E- WALLET REQUESTS WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED ON A FRIDAY.