



LUTHERAN ACADEMY OF THE MASTER

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"Let my teaching drop as the rain, as gentle rain on the tender grass. Let my words distill as dew, as the showers on the new grass." Deut.32:2

Discipline Policy

The form and severity of discipline will be determined by the teachers / caregivers, and if necessary, by the principal. LAM shall have the authority to take the corrective action that LAM deems appropriate, up to, and including, suspension and expelling a student. The discipline will be administered in light of the student's transgression and attitude. All discipline will be based on biblical principles, e.g. restitution, apologies, (public and private), restoration of fellowship, no lingering attitudes, etc. The vast majority of discipline problems are to be dealt with at the classroom/extended care level. In order to maintain consistency, teachers/caregivers will meet together as necessary to discuss biblical standards and school policy concerning discipline. Love and forgiveness will be an integral part of the discipline of a student. If any parent has questions or concerns regarding any discipline matter, he/she should notify the Principal in writing as soon as possible.

Office Visits – K and Older

Teachers/caregivers are the students' immediate authorities and, as such, are expected to maintain control of the discipline among their students. Accordingly, their judgment and handling of problems, within the constraints of biblical principles, are to be accepted and supported by students, parents, and administration. However, in certain matters where the student's behavior is flagrant, frequent, or fails to elicit a response of repentance, the offending student will be referred to the principal. Such a referral must be recognized as a serious matter, possibly necessitating parental contact. Such matters shall include:

1. **Disrespect** shown to *any* staff member. The staff member will be the judge of whether or not a student has shown disrespect.
2. **Dishonesty** in any situation at school, including lying, stealing, and cheating.
3. **Rebellion** i.e. outright disobedience in response to instructions.
4. **Fighting** i.e. striking in anger with the intention to harm the other student(s).
5. **Obscene, vulgar, or profane language**, including taking the name of the Lord in vain.

During the visit with the principal, the principal will determine the nature of the discipline. The principal may require restitution, janitorial work, parental attendance during the school day with their student, or other measures consistent with biblical guidelines, which may be appropriate.

Basic School Rules

The following list of school rules include those essential policies that we require all our students to be aware of and adhere to.

Conduct

1. Students are expected to cooperate with basic Christian standards of behavior and conversation.
2. There should be no talking back or arguing with teachers or staff. Prompt and cheerful obedience is expected. Requests from the teacher/caregiver should not have to be repeated.
3. No electrical music devices, guns or knives are allowed on the school grounds. LAM staff shall have the discretion to confiscate these and other items that may be harmful or distracting.
4. Students are expected to be aware of and avoid the off-limits areas of the building or grounds.
5. Students are expected to treat all of the school's materials or facilities with respect and care. This includes all textbooks distributed to the students. (Students will be charged for lost or damaged textbooks.)
6. There will be no chewing gum or eating during class.