



## **Discipline Guidelines 26-27**

KHS's role is to support and encourage homeschool families as they journey through life raising their children in a Godly way. We assume each child that enters our program is being raised to honor and respect their peers and adults, just as Jesus commanded, and has been taught to behave appropriately in public settings away from parental supervision.

One of our first priorities as a Homeschool Service is the safety of our students and the promotion of healthy relationships between them and their teachers. Although we believe disciplinary actions should be parents' responsibility, we also understand God has entrusted us with the lives of your children while they attend our programs. We see it necessary to take disciplinary actions when a student repeatedly ignores requests made by teachers or disrupts the educational environment.

We have developed a guideline, which is not all-inclusive, although we hope it will serve families as a tool to determine and understand disciplinary actions taken during the time your children attend our programs.

***Please review these guidelines with your child(ren).***

### **Foul Language:**

KHS reserves the right to remove a student from a classroom setting, playground, or any indoor/outdoor activity, and ask parents to pick up their child before the end of the daily schedule if the use of foul language comes to our attention and is witnessed by any of our teachers. Foul language will be considered any word that is demeaning to the physical, emotional, and/or spiritual identity of any student, as well as any cuss word used in any setting. Foul language will also be considered any type of verbal interactions, that include sexual innuendos, jokes, or words that sounds "like" or refer to body parts.

### **Lying:**

KHS believes in teaching students to tell the truth all the time. It will be considered lying when a student hides information, distorts the truth, and/or does not tell the whole truth. We want to do our best to encourage honest and truthful relationships within our community, and trust is one of the foundational pieces necessary to be able to do this.

### **Physical Interactions:**

KHS reserves the right to remove a student from a classroom setting, playground, or any indoor/outdoor activity and ask parents to pick up their child before the end of the daily schedule if inappropriate physical contact was conducted by the student with another student, teacher, teacher assistant or a Refreshing Mountain employee.

Inappropriate physical contact may include but are not limited: hitting, punching, kicking, slapping, touching private areas, and public displays of affection. Other actions may be considered inappropriate physical interaction if the council of teachers, after reviewing the situation, decides the contact was intended and not accidental.

*We also ask students to refrain from any **rough play** during program hours.*

### **Plagiarism:**

Plagiarism is a serious offense and KHS does not take this lightly. Students are taught to think and work critically. We also want to instill the value of honesty, integrity, and hard work. Please review the consequences your child may incur with this type of offense. The use of AI, ChatGTP, or any other online generator to complete any assignment is **strictly** prohibited. Students will automatically receive a **zero** score with no chance to resubmit their assignment. Other consequences may include losing the privilege to use their computers for an assignment. Students will be asked to use a pencil and paper should infractions continue to occur.

### **Types of consequences:**

Any consequence given to any student is only implemented after several warnings were verbally expressed to the student. Depending on the type of infraction, consequences may include:

- Lose recess time
- Privileges taken away (i.e. Fishing, hiking, participating in special games/events)
- Partial or full-day suspension

Other consequences will be put into place after reviewing a given situation with parents and student(s).

**\*\*Mandated Reporters\*\***

Each of our teachers, helpers, and assistants is required by law to report any comment, behavior, or action that leads to the suspicion that a child has been, or is being exposed to any type of abuse. By law, this report does not have to be approved or made known to parents/guardians before it is submitted to the proper authorities.

KHS will reserve the right to choose to make or not make parents aware that such a report was made.

**Conclusion:**

- **KHS is of the opinion that students are able to meet all the guidelines mentioned above with the help of parents, peers, and teachers.**
- **The environment at KHS encourages growth, honesty, encouragement, and peace among each member.**
- **The goal is to partner with parents in raising up the next generation of world changers.**

My electronic signature or my signature below means:

- I have read and acknowledged the Discipline Guidelines.
- I understand that if my child breaches the guidelines, one or some of the consequences will be put in place.
- I understand that other disciplinary actions may occur and will be determined by the severity of the infraction.
- I have also read and/or shared this information with my children who attend KHS.

**Parent:** \_\_\_\_\_ **(signature obtained at registration)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_