



2025-2026 Student Code of Conduct

All students are expected to comply with the following expectations:

1. ARRIVE ON TIME TO ALL CLASSES and PREPARED WITH THE PROPER MATERIALS;
2. DEMONSTRATE APPROPRIATE CLASSROOM BEHAVIOUR (ie. FOLLOW DIRECTIONS, DO NOT BE DISRUPTIVE, USE ASSIGNED SEATING, REMAIN IN CLASS UNTIL DISMISSED);
3. USE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE WHEN SPEAKING WITH STAFF MEMBERS AND OTHER STUDENTS;
4. STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BRING BAGS, CELL PHONES/EARBUDS OR JACKETS TO CLASS;
5. COMPLETE ALL WORK ASSIGNED IN CLASS AND FOR HOMEWORK;
6. FOLLOW ALL THE RULES OUTLINED BELOW:

Action	Description	Consequence
Academic Integrity	Students are expected to demonstrate honesty in all academic work. Academic dishonesty includes any form of cheating, plagiarism, assisting others in cheating, or the unauthorized use of digital tools.	Consequences for academic dishonesty will be determined by the teacher and may include, but are not limited to, receiving a zero on the assignment, a reduced grade, redoing the work, or completing remedial assignments. Academic dishonesty during a midterm or final exam will result in a zero.
Student Device Policy	Student use of personal mobile devices during the school day, while on school property is prohibited. In accordance with the Quebec Ministry of Education, personal mobile devices refers to any device capable of communicating with or accessing the internet, such as a smartphone, tablet, smartwatch, earbuds, etc.	• A first infraction will result in having the device confiscated and turned over to an administrator; the device will be returned at the end of the school day • A second infraction will result in having the device confiscated and turned over to an administrator; parents will be advised. The device will be returned at the end of the school day

	Exceptions can be made if devices are required for pedagogical purposes determined by the teaching staff with the approval of the school Principal. Exceptions can be made for students who require personal devices for medical purposes or for specific adaptations required for students with documented learning needs.	• A third infraction will result in having the device confiscated and turned over to an administrator; a parent will be required to retrieve the device at school • Refusal to give a device to a staff member will result in a suspension
Dress Code	Students will dress appropriately; choice of clothing will not include or promote any of the following: inappropriate/hateful/discriminatory language/images/symbols, vulgarities, reference to/images of drugs and/or alcohol. Extremes in modes of dress or clothing normally considered undergarments are not acceptable.	
Drugs and Alcohol	Students are prohibited from: distributing, consuming, being under the influence of, or in possession of drugs, alcohol, or drug/alcohol paraphernalia.	• An infraction will result in a 10-day suspension from school, and school activities • A second infraction, or any infraction involving distribution will result in a 10-day suspension from school and school activities, as well as a Discipline Committee Hearing • Refusal to agree to a search (locker, personal belongings) by administration will result in a 10-day suspension from school and school activities • Police may be notified
Extracurricular Activities	Participation in school sanctioned events is limited to students who attend Symmes and/or D'Arcy McGee.	Administration reserves the right to suspend or terminate participation, based on academic and behavioural performance. A student who is suspended from school is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activities for the duration of their suspension.

Field Trips	Participation in school organized field trips is limited to WQSB students and staff members. All students participating in school field trips must provide written parental authorization as requested by the school, to participate in the field trip.	Administration reserves the right to suspend or terminate participation, based on academic and behavioural performance.
Lates	Students are expected to arrive to classes prepared and on time.	• A student who accumulates three lates in any given class will be assigned a lunch detention • A student who skips the assigned detention will be issued a Wednesday PM detention • A student who chooses to skip the Wednesday detention will be suspended the following day
Physical Aggression and Verbal Aggression	Students at Symmes and D'Arcy are expected to treat one another with respect and refrain from making any verbal, written, typed or physical expression that ridicules, degrades or expresses hatred based upon, for example, race/colour, gender expression or identity, ancestry, place of origin, religion, sexual orientation, family status, physical or mental diversity. Students will refrain from any type of rough-housing or physical confrontation.	• Two or more students involved in a physical confrontation (rough-housing/fight) could be suspended from school and school activities for a period of up to 5 school days • A student who assaults another student could be suspended from school and school activities for up to 10 school days and Police may be notified • A student who is verbally and/or physically aggressive towards a staff member could be suspended from school • A student who is verbally and/or physically aggressive will face consequences that may include a suspension • A restorative meeting may be held. • Police may be contacted.
Possession of a Weapon or		• A student in possession of a weapon at school will be suspended from school and

Weapon Replica		school activities for a period of 10 school days • A second infraction will result in a referral to a discipline committee meeting • Police may be notified • A student in possession of a weapon replica will be suspended from school and school activities for a period of up to 10 school days
Reflection Room	If a student is unable to follow the rules of the classroom, they will be sent to the reflection room. While in the reflection room, students will abide by the following rules: • Students will complete assigned work; • Students will not talk; • Students will not sleep;	• Students who are sent to the reflection room twice in one day will be suspended internally the following day • Students who do not comply with the expectations in the reflection room may be suspended • A student who refuses to report to the reflection room could be suspended from school
Smoking	Smoking is prohibited on school property.	An infraction could result in a suspension from school and school activities for up to 3 school days.
Student Parking	Students are only permitted to park in designated student spots.	
Technology	Students will refrain from the following: photographing, filming, live streaming or distributing images or videos of staff or students without their consent, using technology to misrepresent people or organizations	Any infraction of the above stated rule could result in a suspension from school and school activities for up to 5 days.
Theft		• A student who steals at school, during the school day, or while participating in a school activity will be required to compensate for the theft • Depending on the circumstances, the student

		may be suspended from school and school activities • Police may be notified
Truancy	Students are expected to attend all classes.	• A student who skips class will be issued a Wednesday afternoon detention • A student who skips their Wednesday detention will be suspended from school and school activities for one school day • A student who is truant (skips class) twice in one week will be suspended from school and school activities for one school day
Vandalism	Students will not damage school property, items that belong to the school, or items belonging to staff, students, or visitors to the school.	• A student who vandalizes will be required to compensate for full repair/replacement of the vandalism • Depending on the circumstances, the student may be suspended from school and school activities • Police may be contacted
Vaping	Students are prohibited from: distribution, consuming, or being in possession of vaporizers, or vaporizer products.	• An infraction will result in a 10-day suspension from school and school activities • Refusal to agree to a search (locker, personal belongings) by administration will result in a 10-day suspension from school and school activities and a referral to a pre-discipline committee meeting • Vaping on school property could result in a fine from the Gatineau Police