

# CODE OF CONDUCT FOR STUDENTS ON SCHOOL TRIPS

#### **Expectations**

Students must remember that they represent the school whenever they are in public. We count on them to be pleasant, quiet, courteous and considerate of other people at all times.

The laws, rules and traditions of foreign countries must be observed at all times. This includes the legal age for alcohol consumption, which may be different than in Switzerland.

#### Drugs and other illegal substances

There is a zero tolerance policy concerning use of drugs or other illegal substances during any school trips. Please also note that the penalties for the use of and/or possession of drugs in other countries may be much more severe than in Switzerland and that if caught, students may be liable to punishment under local laws.

#### Alcohol

The consumption of alcohol where permitted during the trip should be moderate and the privilege may be withdrawn at any time. Excessive use of alcohol leading to disruptive or potentially dangerous behaviour will be considered a serious breach of this Code of Conduct.

#### **Timekeeping**

Students should remain with the group during group activities. When students are given free time, they must always return to the meeting place promptly and register with the teacher in charge. They must never be late.

#### Accommodation

When staying in shared accommodation, including hotels, students must show consideration for other guests and must observe the rules laid down by their host.

Students must be aware that vandalism or disruptive behaviour can have very serious consequences for themselves, their parents and the school. Parents are required to accept responsibility for any damage or costs incurred by their son/daughter due to their conduct and actions, whether intentional or not. Any claims made by a third party against a student or the School as a result of the student's actions must be met by the parents in the event that they are not covered by insurance.

#### **Private property**

Students are responsible for their own property on all trips. Valuables such as mobile phones, computers, mp3 players, iPods, etc. are the responsibility of the student and will not be the responsibility of the School. Participants should ensure that they have adequate insurance. <u>Students should not bring items of significant value on the trips.</u>

#### Insurance

Health, travel and personal insurance are the responsibility of the participant.

#### **Customs**

On a visit abroad, students must not bring banned items through customs, including excess alcohol or tobacco products. Students must not bring anything through the customs for somebody else.

## **Health and Emergencies**

Any ongoing health concerns must be disclosed to the School when registering for any trips and the teachers in charge should be made aware of any medication that students need to take. The teachers in charge should be informed immediately of any health concerns arising during the trip. The School will endeavour to telephone the designated emergency contact for any student requiring medical treatment.

### Students on disciplinary probation

Hull's School reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to bar students from any trips for disciplinary reasons.

A serious breach of the code of conduct or of the normal rules of acceptable behavior will result in the student being returned home at the expense of his or her parents. The decision to send home a student is at the discretion of the teachers in charge. There is no appeal against this decision.