



GOOD SHEPHERD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDING POLICY

Vision Statement

Good Shepherd International School, in its pursuit of a holistic education, envisages inspiring and fostering a community of caring, progressive, lifelong learners to embrace and celebrate all Creation.

Mission Statement

Good Shepherd International School endeavours to prepare each student for academic social and personal success by creating a community of empowered and diverse learners striving to be globally-minded citizens in an atmosphere of mutual respect, understanding and trust.

LIFE AT GSIS

Good Shepherd International School is a fully residential School where boarding is a key feature to the overall development of children into responsible global citizens.

There are separate dormitories for boys and girls. Each dormitory has a dorm parent and dorm nurses to ensure an experience of home away from home. They provide students with an experience inclusive of the right to study, play, relax in an ambience conducive to personal growth. In addition, it helps develop mutual respect and acceptance of one other from diverse cultures.

RESIDENTIAL GOALS

- ❖ To develop the whole person based on the school motto of Truth, Trust and Triumph.
- ❖ To encourage an atmosphere of openness whereby each boarder feels that he or she is an indispensable member of the learning community.
- ❖ To provide suitable conditions to develop the individual and intellectual talents through interactions and structured prep, in an atmosphere of camaraderie.
- ❖ To organize a range of age appropriate activities, hobbies and opportunities that will foster personal, social and cultural development of each individual.
- ❖ To create a secular atmosphere
- ❖ To safeguard the welfare of each boarder by providing a safe and healthy environment that is free from hazards or danger.
- ❖ To provide comfortable accommodation that ensures adequate privacy.
- ❖ To develop in boarders a sense of responsibility for self, for others and for their environment.

- ❖ To develop in boarders a sense of fairness, leadership and collaboration.
- ❖ To ensure proper channels of communication are available in case of personal crisis to consult with the concerned counsellors, coordinators, teachers, student advisors, peers, dorm parents and resident medical officers.
- ❖ To maintain channels of frequent communication with parents or guardians.
- ❖ To develop global citizens

A HOME AWAY FROM HOME

The learners experience dormitory style of living starting from grade 1 to grade 10 in 25 separate, spacious and hygienic dormitories. The Higher Secondary students (Grades XI & XII) are provided with cubicles accommodating between four to eight students on an average.

Housekeeping services are available for student in their dormitories and janitors maintain the cleanliness of the washrooms both in the morning and in the evening. However all students are required to assist with the overall cleanliness of the dormitories by making their beds every day, arranging their assigned cupboards or belongings neatly. They are also expected to maintain high standards of personal hygiene and cleanliness which are monitored by the members of the school community.

The following facilities are available to boarders:

Students are provided with individual cots and bunk beds (only Grade VII boys), cupboards, individual study tables for grades XI & XII and common study area for other grades. They are provided with a shoe room to keep their footwear and trunk room to keep their excess clothing and toiletries.

Recreational facilities include indoor as well as a wide range of outdoor sports and games. Time is provided for the use of library, art, craft and visual arts, music and dance studios. Each dormitory has a television provided for movies, music, news and sports to watch during their free time. A television is provided for each cubicle for the higher grades.

The telephones (around 10 intercoms) are located in each dormitory for the purpose of communication with parents and relatives. Phone calls (STD, ISD, VOIP facilities) are allowed during assigned times in order to avoid disruption of the academic and co-curricular activities. This schedule is provided to parents in advance.

Laundry facilities are provided by the school. Students are instructed at the beginning of the year on the laundry service and are expected to follow the instructions.

Routine maintenance of all the dormitories happens frequently. However, any immediate requirements will be addressed by the concerned maintenance department upon student

request through the dorm parent, by the dorm parent directly or teacher on duty on a daily basis.

RULES & REGULATIONS:

- Boarders must bring the required clothing and other essential things as per the list provided by the school.
- The clothes should be labeled, listed and a copy should be given to the Dorm Parent.
- Students should always be punctual and display self-discipline.
- Dorms have to be kept neat and clean at all times.
- Water and electricity wastage is discouraged.
- Boarders are not allowed to keep any money, valuables, any electronic gadgets or mobile phones etc. with them. They must be handed over to the concerned department for safe custody at the time of reporting.
- All purchases by the boarders must be done through the school authorities or parents and Guardians.
- Boarders are not permitted to keep eatables in the dormitories.
- Parents/Guardians are allowed to take their wards during the permitted weekends / midterm/winter break and at the end of academic year only.
- Students are expected to use the study time effectively and silence has to be maintained during study hours.
- Fancy belts, Hair gel/wax, perfumes, rings, trinkets, make-up sets, nail polish, hair colors are not allowed.
- Only hair clips, hair bands or ribbons for girls are permitted. Long hair should be braided.
- Inappropriate hair cut or coloring of hair is prohibited.
- Adequate footwear including slippers, sandals, shoes and sneakers are allowed. No other fancy footwear to be brought to school.
- Boarders have to wear the prescribed uniform provided by the school for classes, games and special occasions.
- All illness should be reported to the Dorm Parent / Relief Dorm Parent which will be intimated to the School Hospital for immediate action.
- Leave may be granted for special medical treatment on approval by the Resident Medical Officers. On their return students should be accompanied by the parents and taken directly to the school hospital with the fitness certificate and investigation reports.
- Boarders will not be allowed to keep or take medicines without the knowledge of Medical Officer.
- All incidental expenses of the boarders will be recovered from their account.
- Any damage caused to the school property will be recovered.
- Boarders have to pay all dues towards the school before leaving the boarding.
- Boarders are not permitted to visit other dormitories at any time.

- The students should be picked up and brought back strictly on the dates and time given to them. A fine will be levied for late reporting.
- Boarders are not allowed to leave the campus without an out pass issued by the Dorm Parent and authorized by the section Coordinator.
- Students must wear the prescribed school uniform on entry and exit from the school.
- If the boarders need to be chaperoned, parents are to inform the Coordinator in writing well in advance. The cost of the same will be recovered from their recoverable account.
- Boarders will follow the daily schedule for classes and dormitories except when exempted on medical grounds.
- No student will be allowed to enter the dorm during class hours except for swimming lessons or with permission from the section coordinators.
- Any extra items, other than specified in the dorm kit will be removed & kept in the custody of the dorm parent. This will be returned to the student when he/she proceeds on vacation.
- Wake-up timing (5.45 am) & Lights off Timings (10.15 pm) should be strictly adhered to by the boarder.
- Students shall enter and exit residential facilities through approved entrances and exits only. Entering or exiting through any room or window is prohibited. With the exception of an emergency situation such as fire, students are prohibited from using the fire escapes or other non-approved means to enter or exit dormitories.

Guidelines have been framed and have to be followed by the students for their safety and wellbeing. Boarding Policy and rules are subject to review and change as per the school requirement.