Student Code of Conduct

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Popular culture

Alberta Classical Academy is committed to providing an educational culture that is focused on learning, friendship, and the pursuit of wisdom, and is grounded in the study of great works that have endured over time. We want to ensure that our students are not confined to the parochial frame of the present — a state that G.K. Chesterton referred to as the "degrading servitude of being a child of [one's] own time." Students should be free to step back from the pressures of contemporary consumerist trends, so that they can link with past generations and engage deeply with perennial questions and ideas.

We also believe that an education should raise up students' imaginations, and educate their aesthetic judgement and emotions. Students should develop the ability to differentiate between the superficial and the profound; the beautiful from the base; the serious from the frivolous; and the permanent and universal from the fleeting and time-bound.

To further these goals, we have adopted a "no popular culture" policy. Specifically, we expect that students:

- Refrain from bringing personal items to school that include images or references to popular culture (e.g. popular culture-branded backpacks, Pokemon cards, toys)
- Refrain from using popular culture references in conversation and in class
- Refrain from referring to or imitating internet or social media trends on campus (e.g., TikTok)