

Marlborough College School of English & Culture

Student Code of Conduct

We are excited to have you as a part of our residential School of English & Culture programme. To ensure a safe, respectful, and enriching experience for all participants, we have established this Student Code of Conduct. Please read and abide by these guidelines throughout your stay.

The rules apply equally to all pupils regardless of differences in ethnic background, culture, language, religion, gender, ability or disability.

All staff and students have the right to enjoy their lives free from bullying and harassment (including racial and religious) and are expected to treat others as they hope to be treated themselves in an atmosphere of mutual respect. Individuals have the right to expect any senior member of the College to listen and to deal with a problem promptly and sensitively.

All students are required:

- to treat all others with respect and courtesy
- to take due care of all buildings and property, including personal possessions
- to fulfil all commitments punctually and positively

The following are expressly forbidden at all times:

- Bullying
- Sexual harassment
- explicit sexual relations

The following may not be used or possessed:

- tobacco in any form; electric cigarettes, matches and cigarette lighters; joss sticks
- e-shisha pens and vapes
- Alcoholic drinks
- Guns, ammunition, explosives or fireworks
- Any illegal substances
- Any offensive weapon (no knives other than cutlery)

Respect for Others:

Be considerate and respectful to fellow students, staff, and any other individuals associated with the Course.

Keep noise levels at a considerate level, especially during designated quiet hours.

Respect the privacy and personal space of others.

Responsible Behaviour:

Attend all scheduled classes, workshops, and activities.

Adhere to the Course schedule, including curfew and meal times.

Inform relevant staff members if unable to attend any scheduled activity due to illness or other legitimate reasons.

Comply with all safety regulations and guidelines provided by the summer school staff.

Report any safety concerns, incidents, or emergencies promptly to the designated staff.

Residential Facilities:

Maintain cleanliness in living quarters and common areas.

Follow guidelines for waste disposal and recycling.

Use facilities, equipment, and resources responsibly and in accordance with provided instructions. All damage to property, equipment and rooms will be charged to the Student

Report any damages or issues with accommodation promptly to the appropriate staff.

Prohibited Activities:

Possession, use, or distribution of illegal substances or unauthorised medications is strictly prohibited.

Consumption of alcohol is strictly prohibited for participants.

Smoking or vaping is not permitted within the residential facilities.

Use of any form of fireworks, candles, or open flames is not allowed.

Medication is held by House staff and not kept in bedrooms.

Technology Usage:

Use personal electronic devices responsibly, respecting designated usage times.

Adhere to MCSEC's policy on internet and technology usage.
Refrain from engaging in cyberbullying or any form of online harassment.

Road safety

Pupils must be road safety aware and should observe the following guidance:

- give the road your full attention when crossing, even if you are with a group of friends. Look out for them too.
- don't use your mobile to talk or text while you are crossing or waiting.
- listening to music is distracting while crossing the road – remember headphones may not be worn when walking about the College and town.
- don't take chances when you cross the road – cars may not be able to stop. Always use one of the pedestrian crossings to cross the A4.
- remember stop, look and listen!

Consequences for Violations:

Violations of the Student Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action, including warnings, removal from specific activities, or expulsion from MSEC.

Furthermore, if the Student breaks the law or displays aggressive, intimidating or racist behaviour they will face instant dismissal from the Course. Should the Student face instant dismissal, the Student will be withdrawn from the Course with immediate effect and will need to return home at your expense at the earliest possible opportunity.

Gratuitous or wilful damage to college property, public property or other students' property may result in dismissal from the Course and the matter will be reported to the police.

Theft or suspected theft of school or college equipment or another student's possessions may result in dismissal from the Course.

Consumption or possession of alcohol by the Student is not permitted and will result in dismissal from the Course.

If any Student show any signs of alcohol or illegal consumption, MCSEC reserves the rights to use breathalyser and drug detection methods on the Student.

Drug-taking or possession of drugs including psychoactive substances (in the UK formally known as legal highs) by the Student will result in instant dismissal from the Course and be reported to the police.

A person must be 18 years old to purchase or to smoke tobacco products in the UK. Consumption or possession of tobacco by a student may result in dismissal from the course.

Racist or intimidating behaviour towards another student or member of staff will result in dismissal from the Course.

The boarding houses will be locked and alarmed. If the Student leaves their house after lights out, they may be dismissed from the Course.

MCSEC reserves the right to search a student's room by two members of staff if it is suspected they are breaking any of the Code of Conduct.

Dress and Appearance:

Students are expected to present a good impression at all times and their clothing behaviour and demeanour are important ingredients in achieving this. The overall impression must be smart and modest.