

Romeoville Christian Academy

Secondary Discipline Policies

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Foundational Principles

From Scripture, our goals for student discipline should include “doing things decently and orderly” (1 Corinthians 14:40), “not provoking to anger but in the admonition of the Lord” (Ephesians 6:4), and helping students to “love God with all their heart, soul, and mind” (Matthew 22:34). We hope this system helps students realize the importance of developing good habits of personal discipline and public decorum in order to do everything “heartily as to the Lord” (Colossians 3:23). In a nutshell, offenses are broken up into categories based on perceived severity similar to the old demerit system.

Detention System (per semester)

Category 1 Offenses – After two documented warnings (emailed home), a 1-hour after-school detention is given by the teacher for every infraction thereafter.

Offenses include:	Tardy to class	Tardy to school
	Failure to follow directions	Candy, food, gum (+ \$3.00 fine)
	Hall violation/Loitering	Unprepared for class/Homework
	Talking, note-passing	Dress/Hair code infractions
	Horseplay	Rock music Infraction
	Prohibited item in school	Littering

Category 2 Offenses – Automatic 1-hour after-school detention is given by the teacher for each of the following offenses.

Offenses include:	Disrespect	Disobedience
	Physical contact	Homework cheating
	Skipping class	Computer lab/internet infraction
	Vulgarity	Inappropriate language
	Defacing/tampering with property #1	Lying
	Peer bullying #1	Peer verbal assault

Category 3 Offenses – Automatic 1-day suspension (worth 15 detentions) along with 2% reduction of all quarter grades.

Offenses include:	Peer bullying/fighting #2	Stealing
	Quiz/Test/Exam Cheating	Leaving school w/o permission

Category 4 Offenses – Based on administrative review, either 2-day suspension (worth 20 detentions) along with a 4% reduction of all quarter grades or immediate EXPULSION. These apply to the conduct at or away from school.

Offenses include:	Peer bullying/fighting #3	Tobacco Infraction
	Defacing/tampering with property #2	Lewd material/pornography
	Drug Infraction	Alcohol Infraction
	Immoral behavior	Weapon on school grounds
	Arrested	

Progression of Discipline

- ***Accumulation of five (5) detentions*** – 1-hour stay at Saturday School (8:00-9:00 a.m.) and \$10.00 fine
- ***Accumulation of ten (10) detentions*** – 2-hour stay at Saturday School (8:00-10:00 a.m.) and \$20.00 fine
- ***Accumulation of fifteen (15) detentions*** – 1-day suspension along with 2% reduction of all quarter grades
- ***Accumulation of twenty (20) detentions*** – 2-day suspension along with 4% reduction of all quarter grades
- ***Accumulation of twenty-five (25) detentions*** – Immediate expulsion

Students who have been expelled or have been asked to withdraw are not allowed to attend any extracurricular activities for the remainder of the school year, which includes all athletic contests, concerts, banquets, plays, and graduations.

Procedural Specifics

All detentions last until 4:00 p.m.

Teachers will schedule their own detentions, either one-day a week or the next day. Teachers have the freedom to issue a writing assignment in lieu of a detention.

Athletes will have to handle the consequences of missing a portion of practice.