



ST. MARY'S *Catholic High School, Dubai*

PREFECT POLICY

2026-2027



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We believe that student leaders have a very important role to play in the day-to-day operations of our school. The positions not only allow students the opportunity to model confident leadership, resilience and responsibility, it also encourages the younger students to aspire and learn from peer examples.

Key aims

- Develop an effective student leadership model that enables all students to develop key leadership competencies and skills.
- Develop opportunities for students' views to be taken into account when strategic decision about the school's future development are being considered
- Develop a culture of student involvement in the life of the school.
- Develop a culture of student involvement in the life of the local community.
- Ensure that students' views are a key driver to school improvement.
- Ensure that students voices fed into well being practices.

General Guidelines

School prefects will work to ensure that their moral and academic life shall always be a model for the student community to emulate. Prefects should be:

- Be clear about the roles and responsibilities of at school
- Know what skills and personal qualities are needed to be effective prefects
- Understand their own strengths and limitations
- Know how to communicate confidently
- Understand the concept of assertiveness and its importance to prefects
- Understand the relevance of leadership to being a prefect
- Understand the components of effective team working
- Public speaking



Each prefect will be expected to:

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- Be a leader and have a positive impact in school and in the wider community.
- Academic achievement and progress must always outstanding
- Behaviour records must be exemplary, including absence or attendance.
- Display team working skills and be organised and resourceful.
- Be polite, honest, reliable, punctual and hardworking.



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PREFECT CONTRACT

Congratulations!



Congratulations on being selected as a Prefect in the Senior School at SMCHS DUBAI.



Being given the title and position of Prefect is an honour and a privilege. We hope that you will look back on your time as a Prefect with a sense of pride in future years, when you move on and out into the world.



As a Prefect, a weight of responsibility rests on your shoulders. Teachers will ask you to take on extra duties in addition to your normal studies and extra-curricular activities and expect you to behave in an exemplary manner at all times, setting the standard by which the other students measure themselves.



Younger pupils will look up to you and will follow your example; in this regard especially, it is important that you set a good example and be a good role model.



You will need to treat all pupils equally and fairly and work to ensure that the pupils you represent are cared for and supported.



At times, the other children in the School will need you to listen to them and they will need your help and advice to work through their problems. There may be new students who feel alone or left out and it is your responsibility to make these pupils feel welcome and included.



In essence, being a Prefect is not about you, it is about the pupils you support, and so the more you think of others and do for others, the better you are at serving in your position as Prefect. All the very best,

I accept my badge and my role as a Prefect for the Academic Year 2026-2027

I agree to:

- Respect the rules and regulations of the school.
- Be dressed appropriately at all times. Prefects shall wear their prefect badge that distinguishes their office at all times.
- Be punctual for duties and attend all prefect meetings where possible.
- Maintain an excellent academic and behaviour record and lead by example, ensuring the pursuit of academic excellence and orderly behaviour.
- Be positive and enthusiastic, encouraging and motivating fellow students.
- Be cooperative, helpful, well-mannered, trustworthy, and responsible.
- Be respectful toward teachers, your peers and the school environment.
- Display leadership qualities: confidence, initiative, problem solving skills.
- Be willing to take on extra responsibilities.
- Be able to work independently and complete tasks without supervision.
- Treat others fairly without showing preference for friends or siblings.
- Ensure that my Social Media accounts do not contain content that is vulgar or sexually or racially offensive in any way. Shared content or liked content must also not be sexually or racially offensive or vulgar in any way.
- Be excellent ambassadors for the school and represent the school image positively.
- Take an active part in School functions, helping and organizing whenever asked.
- Help students feel safe, supported and valued in the school.
- Work cohesively as a team to promote a nurturing school environment.

I _____ have read and understood my Prefect Contract and Code of Conduct and I agree to carry it out to the best of my ability. I understand that failure to comply could have my prefect position revoked.

PREFECT : _____

DATE : _____

PARENT : _____

DATE : _____

VICE PRINCIPAL : _____

DATE : _____