

PARENT & STUDENT HANDBOOK

2025-2026

SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

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INTRODUCTION

OUR MISSION

Success by God's measure

We want to see our students succeed and understand what <u>true</u> success means. God's plan is different from this world's. We desire to give our students the tools to understand that difference. Our students are equipped both spiritually and academically for their next steps in life.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

Faith Mountain Christian Academy was established to help parents provide youth with a sound academic education, with emphasis on the Bible and preparation for future Christian service.

- We believe in One God, eternally existing, as the creator and supreme ruler Heaven and Earth. (Deuteronomy 4:35, 1 Kings 8:60)
- We believe in the Deity of Jesus Christ. (John 1:14)
- His Virgin Birth. (Matthew 1:18, Luke 1:27)
- His atoning death upon the cross. (Galatians 1:4)
- His bodily resurrection and ascension. (Acts 2:24, Acts 1:9-11)
- His imminent personal return. (Acts 1:11, Romans 8:34)
- We believe in the Trinity of the Godhead; God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. (1 John 5:7)
- We believe in the necessity of the new birth for cleansing from sin and the creation of new life in Christ Jesus. (Titus 3:5)
- We believe that Salvation is by grace, through faith in Jesus Christ alone. (Titus 2:11, 1 Peter 1:5)
- We believe in the Holy Spirit as the indwelling Comforter and Guide into all truth. (John 14:16-19)
- We believe that the chief end of man is to glorify God. (Isaiah 43:7, Psalm 100:2-3)

SCHOOL OBJECTIVES

- To teach the student to manifest fairness, courtesy, kindness, and other Christian graces
- To relate the various subject matter areas to the truth of the Bible.
- To teach the student to apply themself to their work and to fulfill their various responsibilities to God, self, and the world in which they live.
- To teach the student to think for themself and to stand up for their Biblical convictions in the face of pressure.
- The goal is to show the student their present civic responsibility and to prepare them for adult responsibility.
- To assist the student in comprehending each academic subject to the best of their ability.

 To assist the student in preparing for future academic studies beyond high school graduation

SPIRITUAL REQUIREMENTS

Church: FMCA students are encouraged to attend church services weekly.

<u>Bible:</u> In the Christian school, the Bible is the most important text. Bible classes, memorization of passages, and devotions are all crucial parts of our Christian education. Assignments are considered just as important as other subjects. Students must bring a New King James Version Bible to school every day. A Bible will be provided for all elementary students up to and including 5th grade. Students in 6th grade and above are required to bring their own Bible. The New King James Version should be used for all memory work; however, other reliable versions may be used for study or comparison.

<u>Chapel</u> services are held weekly. They may include special speakers, college representatives, and class presentations. Parents are welcome to attend.

<u>Conduct:</u> Students of FMCA are expected to behave in an orderly and respectful way, upholding Christian standards of courtesy, kindness, language, morality, and honesty, both during and after school hours.

PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITY

Parents should be familiar with and responsible for complying with all of the Academy's rules and regulations to prevent their child from facing disciplinary action as a result of their oversight. Parental support helps reduce confusion between students and staff and promotes a clearer Christian testimony for the Academy.

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

Admission materials and the Student Handbook shall contain language reflecting the following policy:

Faith Mountain Christian Academy admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities offered to all students at the school. It does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, or ethnic origin in its educational policies, admissions procedures, scholarship and loan programs, athletic programs, or other school-managed activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

ADMITTANCE POLICY

The following information may be considered before admittance at FMCA:

- Ages for admission (as mandated by state law):
- Academic screening and placement assessments will be conducted at the discretion of the Administrator.
- Transcripts/Transfer credits

• Guardians must submit documentation of legal representation of the student.

To remain enrolled, a student must demonstrate satisfactory academic achievement, emotional stability, positive social behavior, good moral character, and willing cooperation with teachers and the administration.

Parents must continue cooperating with school staff in training and are encouraged to attend church regularly.

SCHOOL RECORDS

Before an admittance decision is made, children transferring to FMCA from another school must have their academic, health, behavioral, and disciplinary records transferred to FMCA.

ATTENDANCE

Pennsylvania state law requires all children aged six to seventeen to attend school regularly. A child cannot make up a day missed, even if they review the assignments given. The discussions that happen in the classroom are often more valuable than the written material. Parents are discouraged from taking students out of school for family vacations.

Absences:

A student is legally excused from school for illness, a funeral in the family, medical or dental appointments, and approved educational trips. All other absences are illegal and may be considered unexcused. Any unexcused absences after three must be reported to the student's district of residence as required by state law.

All absences and tardiness will be deemed either excused or unexcused by the administration based on written information received from parents. According to state law, we are not required to allow students with unexcused absences to make up tests or quizzes they missed.

Absence Reporting:

When a student needs to be absent from school on a specific day, the parent or guardian must call the school office by 8:30 AM on that day to confirm the absence. If students are absent or tardy for any reason, a written note or Jupiter Ed form must accompany them on their first day back to school, or the absence will automatically be considered unexcused.

The note should contain the following information:

- * Date of absence or tardiness
- * Reason for absence or tardiness
- * Signature of parent or guardian
- *Medical Note

Absences of more than three consecutive days must also be verified with a doctor's excuse to be considered excused absences. A parent may excuse up to a total of 10 days of absences for excusable reasons. Beyond this limit, a doctor's excuse is required for each additional

absence. Any student who misses more than 10 days of school for any reason may be subject to a review of their academic performance by the administration to determine if grade retention is necessary.

Planned Absences/Approved Educational Trips:

If a student expects to be absent, a parent must contact the office one to two weeks in advance. Any absence longer than 5 days needs approval from the Administrator. Work must be finished on the day the student returns. Make-up tests and quizzes will be scheduled reasonably within a few days of returning to school. Tardiness:

Parents/Guardians are responsible for ensuring students arrive on time for school and class. Reasons such as, but not limited to, oversleeping, missing the school bus, or preferring to ride with a parent/guardian or friend, are not acceptable excuses for tardiness. If a student arrives at school after the start time, they must report directly to the Office to be issued a class admission slip.

A student is considered tardy if he is not in his designated room by 8:15 AM (except in the case of late buses) or if he is late for any class during the day. Students with more than five (5) unexcused tardies per academic quarter will be assigned detention for each additional tardy beyond five per quarter. Except for a signed doctor or dentist excuse, most tardies will be unexcused, as only five are allowed.

The following criteria will be used for tracking lateness/early departure:

Arrive after the start time until 10:00 am – tardy.

- Arrive after 10:00 am but before 11:45 am half-day absent
- Arrive after 11:45 am or leave before 11:45 a.m. full day absent.
- Leave after 11:45 am until 1:30 pm $-\frac{1}{2}$ day absent.
- Leave after 1:30 pm no absence.

Skipping a Class:

Students are expected to attend all classes, chapels, or required activities unless they have pre-arranged permission to be absent.

Withdrawal:

If a student is withdrawn from school, a minimum of one week's notice will be given to the office whenever possible. All school-owned books and materials must be returned and verified, and the school district of residence must be notified by PA law.

When a student is withdrawn from school for any reason, the tuition will be prorated based on the number of days the student was enrolled. There are no tuition refunds when paid on a 12-month payment plan. Registration fees are nonrefundable. Academic records and transcripts will not be released until all outstanding financial obligations are fully satisfied.

Dismissal - Attendance at this school is a privilege, not a right; and this school reserves the right to enroll and disenroll students by its purpose. Suppose a student is disenrolled during the year for behavioral or disciplinary reasons. In that case, the decision to readmit the student will be at the discretion of the Faith Mountain Christian Academy School Board.

Note: If FMCA administration determines that a student has behavioral, developmental, or academic needs we cannot meet, personnel not approved or requested by Faith Mountain Christian Academy will not be permitted on school property.

DRESS CODE

"Be thou an example of the believer in word, in conversation, in spirit, in faith, in purity." - I Timothy 4:12

FMCA does not require students to wear a specific uniform to school. The administration prefers students to come dressed neatly and cleanly, creating an environment conducive to learning. Some parts of the dress code are not directly based on Scripture but are instead part of a reasonable and enforceable institutional standard focused on modesty and neatness. Students are expected to follow the dress code when arriving, leaving, riding the bus, and during class. Any writing, pictures, decals, or imprints on clothing or accessories must not violate school standards. The following dress code standards have been established for proper school attire. When there are questions about current styles, the final decision on appropriateness will be made by the administration. Parents will be asked to bring appropriate clothing if their student is found in violation. Three dress code violations may result in detention.

Hair – Hair should be well-groomed and natural in color. Extremes in hairstyles are not allowed.

Shirts – Shirts must be long enough to reach the top of pants when sitting and may not be tank tops. Sleeveless blouses and dresses (not tank tops) are permitted for girls. Shirts must not have anything offensive.

Dresses and skirts – Girls may wear dresses or skirts that are no more than 4 inches above the knee while sitting and should maintain modesty. Specific guidelines include avoiding sheer or tight clothing, low necklines, and styles that expose the midriff or undergarments.

Pants – Jeans or dress pants may be worn. Pants must not have holes, should be loose-fitting, and worn high enough so that undergarments are not visible. Girls' yoga-style pants or leggings may be worn by 4th graders and older underneath a dress, tunic, or skirt that is no shorter than 4 inches above the knee when sitting. Girls in 3rd grade and younger may wear loose-fitting yoga pants without a dress over them.

Shorts may be worn as long as they are loose-fitting and are no shorter than 4 inches above the knee when sitting.

Athletic Wear – Students may wear loose-fitting athletic shorts, pants, and/or sweatpants. No tight-fitting spandex is allowed unless covered by a tunic-length shirt. Athletic shorts must be at least 4 inches above the knee when sitting.

Shoes – Students may wear dress or casual shoes, or sneakers which are fully laced and tied, or sandals with a back strap.

Jewelry and makeup – A limited amount of jewelry and cosmetics can be worn as long as they are in good taste and do not attract attention to the wearer.

Tattoos should only be visible if they are in good taste and do not draw attention to the individual or conflict with the school's mission. Otherwise, they must be covered during the school day and at school activities.

Body piercings should not be visible during the school day or at school activities.

Physical Education Dress Code – Sneakers must be worn for all gym classes to help prevent injuries. Although athletic shorts need to meet the 4-inch rule, this can be achieved with two layers if preferred, such as loose short shorts over fitted long shorts.

Note: All students must participate in physical education classes unless a note from a doctor provides specific instructions regarding physical activity.

HEALTH GUIDELINES

Parents of students entering Kindergarten must complete a medical form with shot records and other necessary information. (For students whose school health records are unavailable, an additional form must be completed.) All students are required to be vaccinated according to applicable state law or have an exemption on file. Each year, all students must have an up-to-date health record, as required by state law, before enrollment. The school will inform families about the specific requirements for each student.

When students need medical attention, the school will notify parents. No staff member is allowed to administer any medication, including over-the-counter drugs like aspirin, without written authorization from the parent. The school should be informed if any student is on medication. Any medication brought to school must be kept in the office or the homeroom for safekeeping. This includes aspirin, Tylenol, cough drops, and similar items.

FMCA ILLNESS GUIDELINES

Please read and follow the guidelines below regarding sending your child to school after an illness. Students have been returning to school too early after being absent due to illness, which can lead to the spread of contagious illnesses among our students. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in helping protect all our students from communicable diseases. Students need to be in good health to ensure effective learning.

The guidelines below are designed to exclude students with communicable or contagious diseases.

A student with any of the following symptoms must not attend school until they are free from these symptoms.

- Temperature of 100.0 degrees or higher. The student must be fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication, such as Tylenol, Motrin, or Advil, before re-entry.
- Vomiting or diarrhea must be free of symptoms for 24 hours without medication before re-entry.
- o An undetermined rash on any part of the body accompanied by fever.
- o Red, draining eyes with intense itching and signs of secondary infection.
- o Open, draining lesions or wounds.
- Lice or nits on the shaft of the hair students must be checked in the office before returning to class.

A note from the child's health care provider might be needed for school attendance.

GENERAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

TELEPHONE USAGE

Students at school will only be allowed to receive calls if they are from their parents or guardians and are related to emergencies. Messages are gladly accepted and will be forwarded. Students are never permitted to use the phone without permission.

Cell phones are not to be used during the school day from arrival until 3:00 PM. If a student is caught using a cell phone, it will be taken away until the end of the day, and parents will be notified.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT GROUP

FMCA has a group of parents who enjoy being involved in organizing special activities for students and teachers throughout the year. They hold multiple fundraisers and host several events to make Faith Mountain a wonderful place to learn. For more information, please get in touch with the school.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Conferences are always encouraged and may be requested by either the teacher or parent. It is critical that a parent honor the teacher's request for a conference. The first parent/teacher conference is scheduled for November, and we ask that a parent attend to discuss their child's progress. Additional parent/teacher conferences after the second and third quarters will be mandatory for students who are failing the course for the year.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

In case of emergency, school closing or delay due to snow, ice, etc., it will be announced on the television station WNEP. We will also try to notify parents by e-mail, text message, on the school website, and through the "FMCA Friends and Family" Facebook page.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS AT SCHOOL

Generally, parties are kept to a minimum and must be approved by the administration. In grades K–5, a child celebrating a birthday may bring a healthy snack to share with the class. Halloween is not observed at FMCA. When Valentine's Day is celebrated, it is expected that all children in the class receive cards. Christian holidays will be celebrated in the joyful Christian spirit they were meant to reflect. Secular additions, such as Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny, will not be celebrated at FMCA.

VISITORS

Student visitors interested in attending FMCA may need to obtain permission to visit the school and should dress according to FMCA's dress code. All visitors are required to sign in at the office and pick up a visitor's badge immediately upon entering the building. When visiting FMCA, parents should dress appropriately and modestly.

FIELD TRIPS

In connection with their studies, students have several field trips scheduled throughout the year. There is adequate supervision on all of these trips, and permission slips will be required. Only volunteers who have completed clearances, hold a valid driver's license, and have insurance and registration on file with the school will be allowed to drive students in their vehicle.

FINANCIAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Application and re-enrollment fees are due by March 31 each year. Current students will have priority for open enrollment spots as long as their fee is paid within ten days of the enrollment deadline. After ten days, available seats will be open to pending or waitlist students.

No student will be re-admitted if there are any outstanding tuition and/or fees from the previous school year. No past due accounts will be waived.

Tuition can be paid in one, two, or 12 installments.

If you choose the twelve-month payment plan, tuition payments are due on the 1st of each month starting in July and ending with June's payment. There will be a ten-day grace period, after which a \$35 late fee is added to the family's account. If a family's tuition becomes 60 days late, students will not be allowed to attend until the account is current.

ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

KINDERGARTEN (K-5)

This program establishes the foundation for the elementary curriculum, focusing on reading, writing, spelling, Bible memorization, mathematics, and an introduction to science and social studies. The kindergarten also participates in weekly activities such as music, physical education, art, and chapel.

ELEMENTARY--GRADES 1-5

This is a complete program of study including Bible, reading, spelling, grammar, writing, mathematics, history, science, music, physical education, art, and chapel. FMCA believes that children should be encouraged to learn as much as they are ready to handle and should be provided with the tools to achieve that goal.

At the same time, we recognize that not all students are ready to learn at the same pace, and we attempt to meet each student's individual needs. Due to limited resources at FMCA, some students with special needs may not be fully supported. We aim to identify these needs and guide parents to other schools better equipped to assist their children.

JUNIOR HIGH--GRADES 6-8

This program consists of instruction in Bible, English, Mathematics, History, Science, Geography, Computer Keyboarding and Word Processing, Physical Education, Art, and Chapel.

SENIOR HIGH--GRADES 9-12

FMCA believes that the education it offers should be better than what is provided in local public schools. Therefore, while following some of Pennsylvania's requirements, FMCA has created its course descriptions and standards based on the traditional college preparatory, Christian liberal arts model. Students are always encouraged to take the most challenging courses that the Lord has enabled them to handle. All classes are offered depending on instructor availability, materials, and scheduling.

<u>SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS OF SENIOR HIGH STUDENTS:</u> When you register your student at Faith Mountain Christian Academy or any other non-licensed, nonpublic school, you should do so prayerfully and with full awareness that returning to public school may no longer be a convenient option.

PROPOSED REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION—25 credits

| Bible 4* | Math3 | Arts & Humanities2 |
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| English4 | Science3 | Physical Education—1.5 |
| History4 | Health½ | Electives -3 |

^{*}Students transferring into FMCA after Grade 9 are required to take and pass Bible each year.

GRADING SCALE

| A+=98-100 | B+=88-90 | C+=78-80 $D=67-70$ |
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| A = 94-97 | B = 84-87 | C = 74-77 F (Failing) = 66 and below |
| A-= 91-93 | B-= 81-83 | C = 71-73 |

PICKING UP/DROPPING OFF STUDENTS

- No cell phones while the car line is moving.
- All parents and student drivers are expected to follow the traffic flow patterns and the directions of FMCA staff.
- To ease congestion, improve traffic flow, and reduce the risk of injury, FMCA requires students, parents, and visitors to follow these guidelines and courtesies at all times.
 - o Cars need to line up and move in an organized way in the carpool line.
 - o No one is allowed to pass other cars in the carpool lane unless told to do so.
 - Never leave your vehicle unattended in the carpool line. If you need to leave your vehicle, it must be parked in a designated parking space and turned off.
 - o Drivers should re-enter the carpool line if their riders are not ready. Do not delay those behind you.
 - o If your child needs help getting in and out of the car, please do so quickly.

STUDENT DRIVERS - CARS/MOTORCYCLES

- Students can request permission to drive to school once they obtain their license.
- All vehicles driven by students to school must be registered with the school office each year.
- School traffic regulations must be followed, along with standard safe driving practices.
- During school hours, student vehicles must be parked legally in designated parking areas. We recommend that cars remain locked during the day.
- Vehicles must remain unoccupied by students from the time they arrive until they leave the school at the end of the day. Students are not permitted to go to their cars during the day unless they have a pass from the office.
- Once a student arrives at school, the student may not leave school property or use their car on school grounds during the day without permission.
- Passengers A student driver may not transport other students without the advance written permission from their parents.
- Due to conditions in the parking areas, such as snow or special school functions that cause crowding, the administration may need to revoke privileges periodically.
- Permission to drive to school may be denied, revoked, or suspended if a student fails
 to follow safe driving practices on or off school grounds, does not display driving
 courtesy, has three or more unexcused latenesses to school, or does not comply with
 school driving rules.

DAILY SCHEDULE

A. ARRIVAL

Students are required to be in their homeroom by 8:15. Parents dropping off their children and students who drive themselves should arrive early enough to ensure they are in their homeroom by that time. Students arriving after 8:15 will be considered tardy. Once students have entered their classroom, they should not leave without permission.

Supervision is available in each building starting at 8:00 for early arrivals; no students may be left at the school before that time. The schedule for early and late buses will be accommodated. Students arriving on late buses should go directly to homeroom. Any students arriving after 8:15 for any reason should report to the office instead of going to homeroom.

B. LUNCH

All students eat lunch in classrooms or the dining area. Students may bring a bag lunch; a la carte lunch items may occasionally be available. Due to the number of students and limited facilities, students are not permitted to use the kitchen or its equipment, except for a microwave. Eating utensils and other items must be brought from home.

C. DEPARTURE

School dismisses at 3:00 PM. Students riding buses and vans will be released at 2:57 PM. Parents picking up their children should arrive between 2:45 and 3:00 PM.

CODE OF CONDUCT

FMCA believes our students should be respectful, love the Lord Jesus, and serve Him daily. We also believe that if our students obey His Word, the Bible, then no other code of conduct would be necessary.

However, we recognize that the sinful nature of fallen man causes us to stray from the path God has laid out for us. Therefore, we have created this code of conduct to encourage godliness, respect, courtesy, virtue, and kindness.

NOTE TO PARENTS: Deuteronomy 6:6-7 highlights your responsibility to teach your children, and we have no intention of taking over that role. However, to ensure a safe, healthy, and supportive learning environment, FMCA must have specific, clear rules and standards. When you, as parents, agree with and support the academy's positions, your children are more likely to be happy and eager to learn. Working together in this way will accomplish much more than conflict.

All students shall:

- Accept the leadership and authority of teachers, the principal, and other staff members.
- Respect the property of the school, church, and all others. The student or their parents will pay for any damage.
- Practice good citizenship, punctuality, cleanliness, good manners, and the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23).
- Dress following the dress code.

- Keep the facilities safe and bright by helping to clean, avoiding all running or rowdiness, and showing respect to other students, especially the younger ones.
- Be in the proper place at all times. Students should have a pass to be outside the classroom during class and must remain on school grounds until dismissal or until they receive specific permission to leave.
- Represent FMCA and the Lord Jesus with consistent good testimony at all times, whether in class, on the playground, on the bus, on field trips, or even out of school. Significant public sin may result in disciplinary action even if the incident occurred off campus or after school hours, if it brings reproach upon the academy or may threaten its purpose. Public postings on the internet may be considered grounds for discipline if they bring reproach upon Faith Mountain Christian Academy.
- Keep romantic relationships pure and God-honoring. To prevent distractions, no public displays of affection will be allowed on campus or at school-sponsored events.
- Students should do their best. They should have all materials for each class day, listen attentively, and complete all work promptly and neatly. The standards set by the teacher should be followed carefully.

Students shall not:

- Do not bring onto campus anything that could be dangerous, distracting, or stolen.
 Items include firearms, lighters, knives, cellular phones, or music devices (must be stored in lockers), skateboards, pets, comic books, inappropriate reading material, audio or video tapes, or any other questionable items. Items requested by the teacher should stay with the teacher while on school grounds. Violations may result in the permanent confiscation of the item.
- Promote worldly thoughts, attitude, or behavior at FMCA. Casual discussion or
 promotion of immorality, drug or alcohol use, or other activities associated with sin or
 rebellion will not be tolerated. FMCA aims to foster an environment of spiritual
 encouragement and does not want to give Satan any chance to distract, discourage, or
 tempt our students away from a life of righteousness.
- Use profanity, obscenity, or vulgar language, but only words that glorify the Lord.
- Chewing gum on school grounds.
- Eat or drink in any hallway area.
- Avoid engaging in rowdy behavior. Students should not push, trip, fight, wrestle, pick up, or spit on any other student; and should not throw, launch, or shoot any object.

DISCIPLINE

The obedience of children is a mandate from God's Word (Eph. 6:1), and Biblically obedient students will be submissive to authority (Heb. 13:17). Pupils must understand that infractions have consequences both spiritual and natural here and now (Acts 24:16), and that the purpose of discipline is restoration (Gal. 6:11).

Therefore, we will practice discipline that is immediate and not prolonged, avoiding bringing up offenses that have already been punished. Discipline will be administered through firm but loving action, avoiding unnecessary humiliation and anger; thus, privacy will be maintained during the disciplinary process unless a public infraction calls for a public rebuke.

Clear-cut directives will be given before punishments are administered (Ex. 20), and a positive attitude of rewards for proper behavior will be encouraged to prevent provoking students to anger (Eph. 6:4).

In light of the Biblical principles listed above, FMCA's disciplinary code includes the following actions. Not every step will be suitable in every situation; the offense, severity, and circumstances will determine the appropriate response in each case.

--Warning (verbal or written)

--Time out (head down on desk)

--Privilege lost

-- Notification of parents'

-- Temporary removal from class

--Special assignment

--Detention

--Probation

--Suspension (in or out of school)

--Disenrollment from FMCA

As a School, FMCA will not use corporal punishment as a disciplinary measure.

DEFINITIONS

Warning—a reprimand for violating the spirit or intent of the rules, aimed at preventing future or more serious offenses. For older students, a written warning can sometimes be adequate.

Time out—Having the student sit quietly with their head on the desk, allowing the child to calm down. This is especially effective with younger children.

Loss of privilege can range from denying the student recess to making them sit out of a game. Students should generally not be kept out of class or a spiritual opportunity.

Notification of parents: If a young person's behavior becomes habitually or seriously disobedient, disrespectful, or irreverent, the parents will be notified by note or phone call so they can be aware and address the issue at home. Parents will automatically be notified of detentions, probation, suspension, or expulsion.

Temporary removal from class is used when the teacher recognizes the need for a student to be separated from the other students for a period of reflection and correction. The student will be sent into the hall just long enough for the teacher to make arrangements for the rest of the class; afterward, the teacher will escort the student either to a nearby private spot or to the principal's office to be addressed.

Special Assignment sometimes helps students remember that misbehavior can have unpleasant consequences. Assignments may be given to be completed during detention or at home. Parents might be asked to sign the completed work.

Detention is one hour after school, during which a student is given a remedial assignment directly related to the offense for which the detention was assigned or will sit quietly to reflect on why they have been disciplined. The teacher may use this time as a counseling session if appropriate. The student may be asked to help with custodial duties while in detention. Detentions will be held from 3 to 4 PM, and notice will be sent home to the parents on the day the detention is issued. Administrative detentions will be issued for repeated tardiness or violations of the dress code, pass rule, etc. All students on school property will be subject to detention unless supervised by a parent or parents.

Probation is a period during which the administrator places a student under restrictions and requirements. This observation and remedial discipline period may act as a "grace period" during which a student with serious behavioral or attitude problems can correct their behavior; failure to do so may result in expulsion. A student on probation may not participate in field trips or other activities at the discretion of the administration.

Suspension is a 1-to-5-day restriction from school and school activities. It is meant to give the student time to reflect on the seriousness of their actions and to work out issues with parents, teachers, and FMCA administrators. All assigned work must be completed before returning to class, and any work not made up will receive a zero.

Disenrollment involves revoking the privilege of attending FMCA due to serious offenses, primarily gross public sin or an unrepentant attitude of rebellion. Students who leave FMCA as a result of disciplinary action will not be permitted to seek readmission until they have been absent for one whole semester; after that, the Board of Education may review the student's status at the request of his pastor.