



# Countryside Christian Academy

## Code of Ethics

The safety of Countryside Christian Academy's students is of the utmost importance.

CCA adheres to Florida State Law concerning abuse and reporting abuse.

The Department of Education is committed to working closely with local school districts to ensure that Florida schools and classrooms are safe and healthy environments for our children. Students are not only protected by their teachers, school staff, principals, and resource officers, but also by school personnel, state officials and law enforcement officers.

While teachers are highly valued professionals and members of our communities, we must all work together to hold Florida teachers to a high standard of ethics and principles. Unfortunately, teacher misconduct occurs and is a serious concern for communities, schools, school districts and states across the country. If you suspect that a child has been harmed or is threatened with harm by a licensed teacher, contact the Florida Department of Children & Families (DCF) toll-free at 1-800-96-ABUSE. Further information about reporting abuse may be found on the DCF Web site at [www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse). You may also contact your local school because each school has its own process for handling allegations of teacher misconduct.

If a staff member suspects or it has been reported to a staff member that a child has been harmed or is threatened with harm by a parent or another person, they will contact the Florida Department of Children & Families (DCF) toll-free at 1-800-96-ABUSE. Further information about reporting abuse may be found on the DCF Web site at [www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse).