

Candidate Code of Ethics

As a state officer of a New Mexico Career and Technical Student Organization, I understand and agree to the following Code of Ethics:

- I will refrain from possessing or partaking of any illegal drug, alcohol or tobacco, vape pens (if prohibited by NMAA regulation and/or my organization) while participating in an official or assigned organization activity.
- I will not engage in any public display of affection with any person while attending any official function or performing a state officer duty.
- I will follow all instructions issued by any individual who is responsible for me.
- I will wear the official dress of my organization while representing my organization.
- I will maintain proper dress and good grooming on all occasions.
- I will maintain a cooperative attitude while participating in any official organization activity.
- I will use wholesome language in all speeches and informal conversations.
- I will avoid all places or activities in which my presence could raise questions of my moral integrity and character.
- I will avoid participating in and actively discourage any conversations which belittle or downgrade fellow CTSO members, officers and adults.
- I will treat all members equally and not favor one member or officer over another.
- I will behave in a manner which conveys and commands respect without any air of superiority.
- I will maintain dignity while being personable, concerned and interested in fellow members.
- I will abide by all policies and procedures relating to officers and members as indicated in my organization's Policies and Procedures Manual and Delegate Guidelines.
- I will abide by all rules and regulations established for my organization.
- I will not deface or steal property of any kind. I will pay for or replace any property damaged by my actions.
- I will not possess any type of weapon or take any action causing bodily harm or fear of life to any person.
- Students of the opposite sex shall not be permitted to be in the same room unless accompanied by school approved chaperone.
- Sexual conduct, material and/or behavior are prohibited.
- I will observe all curfews established for each activity.
- I will respect all persons with whom I come into contact. This includes keeping the noise level in my room inaudible to anyone passing in the hallway, ceasing all room-to-room telephone calls at curfew.
- I will immediately separate myself from any situation in which a violation of this code of ethic has occurred and report the violation to an adult. This includes situations in which I was not present, but have direct knowledge of.
- I will observe all penalties for violations of this code of ethics imposed at the discretion of my advisor, state management team, state officer coordinator, school officials and/or Board of Directors.
- As an officer of my CTSO, I will represent my organization, state with respect. This means that, for my term of office, any content I post on any social media sites and my email address must be reviewed by an authorized adult such as my advisor, parent or guardian. I also understand that these sites will be monitored and I may be requested to remove material. If I fail to do so and post inappropriate or unapproved material, I will be on probation as an officer and subject to the consequences of my advisor, school or state advisor.

Candidate's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date