

Kentucky State University

SOAR Program Student Code of Conduct Agreement

The Kentucky State University (KSU) SOAR Program is committed to providing a safe, respectful, and positive learning environment for all participants. As a participant in the SOAR Program, I understand that I am representing myself, my school, my family, and Kentucky State University. I agree to conduct myself in a manner that supports the educational mission and values of the program.

Participant Expectations

As a participant, I agree to:

Respect Others

Mentors and staff are here to help you succeed- treat them with respect at all times.

- Treat fellow participants, staff, faculty, mentors, and guests with dignity and respect.
- Refrain from bullying, harassment, intimidation, discrimination, or disruptive behavior.
- Respect differences in backgrounds, beliefs, and opinions.
- Use appropriate language and behavior when interacting with any adult on campus.
- Disrespectful or disruptive behavior may lead to a warning, meeting with staff, or other consequences depending on the situation.

Attend and Participate

- Attend all scheduled program activities, workshops, classes, meetings, and events unless excused by program staff.
- Arrive on time and actively participate in all program components.
- Follow instructions provided by program staff and mentors.

Maintain Appropriate Behavior

- Demonstrate honesty, integrity, and good judgment at all times.
- Use appropriate language and behavior.
- Respect university facilities, equipment, and property.
- Maintain cleanliness in assigned housing and shared spaces.

Follow Housing Regulations

- Students of opposite genders are not allowed in each other's dorm rooms at any time.
- Remain in assigned residence hall areas during designated hours.
- Follow all curfews and quiet hours established by program staff.
- Do not leave campus or designated program areas without permission from SOAR staff.

Technology and Social Media

- Use electronic devices responsibly.
- Refrain from posting inappropriate, offensive, or harmful content on social media related to the program, participants, or university.
- Respect the privacy of fellow participants and staff.

Prohibited Conduct

The following behaviors are strictly prohibited:

- Possession or use of alcohol, tobacco products, vaping devices, illegal drugs, or controlled substances.
- Possession of weapons, firearms, knives, or dangerous objects.
- Physical violence, fighting, threats, or acts of aggression.
- Theft, vandalism, or destruction of property.
- Sexual misconduct, harassment, or inappropriate physical contact.
- Hazing or participation in activities that endanger the health or safety of others.
- Leaving campus, housing facilities, or program activities without authorization.
- Any violation of federal, state, local, university, or program regulations.

Disciplinary Action

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in one or more of the following actions:

- Verbal warning
- Parent/guardian notification
- Immediate dismissal from the SOAR Program

Participants dismissed from the program due to misconduct will be sent home at the expense of their parent/guardian.

Important Reminders

- Consequences are not meant to punish, but to correct behavior and maintain a positive community.
- We want to help you grow, learn, and succeed—but that means taking responsibility and respecting others.
- If you ever feel you're struggling with the rules, talk to your Mentor, a staff member, or Program Coordinator. We're here to support you.

Acknowledgment and Agreement

I have read and understand the Kentucky State University SOAR Program Student Code of Conduct. I agree to follow all rules, expectations, and instructions established by program staff. I understand that failure to comply may result in disciplinary action, including dismissal from the program.

Student Information

Participant Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Participant Email: _____

Participant Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment

I have reviewed the Kentucky State University SOAR Program Student Code of Conduct with my student. I understand the expectations and consequences outlined in this agreement and support my student's participation in the program.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____