



Lower School Good Standing Policy



1.0 Purpose

The goal of Good Standing acknowledges and rewards those students who consistently demonstrate the expected behaviours and support an effective learning environment at Yanchep Secondary College. We seek to develop acceptance and student responsibility of their own behaviour and are committed to building positive and genuine relationships with all students.

2.0 Application

The policy applies to all students enrolled at Yanchep Secondary College in Year 7-9.

3.0 Policy

All Lower School Students enrolled at Yanchep Secondary College begin each year with Good Standing.

Good Standing is maintained by consistently demonstrating the college's expected behaviours of:

- **Behaviour** – Consistently following the Yanchep Approach and demonstrating consistent behaviour across all timetabled classes.
- **Uniform** – Consistently wearing the correct school uniform daily.
- **Attendance** – Attend all timetabled classes and all unexplained absences are cleared through the college's attendance officer.
- **Suspension** – Zero suspensions recorded.

The following activities are deemed additional to course curriculum and assessment requirements, and are considered privileges. Students must hold Good Standing to be eligible to attend. These include but are not limited to:

- Excursions
- Camps
- Representing the college in external activities (i.e. Inter-School Carnivals and Sporting teams)
- School Leadership Roles
- Reward Activities

4.0 Procedures

Loss of Good Standing for 5 weeks will occur in the event of any of the below:

- 1) **Suspension** – Any student suspended from the college for displaying inappropriate behaviour.
- 2) **Mobile Phones** – Any students who breaches the Department of Education's Mobile Phone Policy in excess of 3 times will lose Good Standing.
- 3) **Non-Compliance** – Students who continue to demonstrate poor behaviour and display non-compliance will lose their Good Standing.
Non-Compliance includes, but is not limited to:
 - **Poor Behaviour** – After a range of support strategies, students continue to display ongoing poor behaviour and attitude.
 - **Uniform** – Students continue to display non-compliance by wearing the incorrect school uniform.
 - **Attendance** – After a range of implemented support strategies, student attendance is still inconsistent.

5.0 Implementation and Notification of Loss of Good Standing

Good Standing will be removed by any member of Yanchep Secondary College's Leadership Team.

In the case of:

a) Suspension

Loss of Good Standing, the date of reinstatement and appeal process will be communicated to the student's parents/caregiver's in a letter notifying them of the suspension.

College staff will be informed of Loss of Good Standing through SEQTA.

Through the Return from Suspension meetings, parents and caregivers will be advised of the loss of privileges incurred through loss of Good Standing for the 5 week period effective from the return date to school.

b) Non-Compliance

Upon teacher reports, the Program Coordinator will issue a warning regarding a loss of Good Standing to a student where a pattern of non-compliance has developed. This includes breaching the college's mobile phone policy. This warning will consist of a letter and email and a notification in SEQTA.

If non-compliant behaviour continues, the Program Coordinator will meet with the student and remove their Good Standing for a period of 5 weeks along with all privileges. This loss of Good Standing will be communicated to parents via letter, email and a notification in SEQTA.

In the event of an activity being held on school grounds that requires a student to have Good Standing, the Program Coordinator will liaise with staff to arrange an alternative activity, supervised on school site.

6.0 Reinstatement of Good Standing

Good Standing will be reinstated on the day outlined in the loss of Good Standing letter.

Staff of the college will be advised of the reinstatement of Good Standing via SEQTA.

The Principal always has the authority to intervene in any aspect of Yanchep Secondary College's Good Standing policy on a case by case situation.