

# YEAR 6 GOOD STANDING POLICY



#### **RATIONALE**

The good standing policy provides a system that assists in ensuring that Year 6 students maintain a satisfactory level of good citizenship which encompasses classroom and playground behaviour, attendance and academic participation. The Good Standing Policy does not replace the Behaviour Management Policy, but provides a specific framework of the expected standards of behaviour.

All Year 6 students will commence the year with Good Standing status once the Good Standing Contract is signed. Participation in reward events is dependent on maintaining good standing status.

#### **Maintaining Good Standing requires:**

- Satisfactory behaviour in the classroom (including specialist classes) and in the playground according to the School Behaviour Expectations.
- Satisfactory attendance and punctuality.
- Satisfactory participation and completion of all class work.

Satisfactory attendance is deemed to be above 85% attendance at school, or in the event of an absence, a satisfactory explanation of the absence.

#### **Good Standing is lost when a student:**

• Reaches three breaches on their record over the course of the year.

## A breach will be recorded against a student who has breached the Good Standing Contract. These behaviours include, but are not limited to:

- Discussion with a member of our administration team about breaches to our Success PS Code of Conduct (Behaviour Expectations and iPad User Agreement).
- Starting a fight
- Participating in a fight.
- Making physical contact with intention to harm another student or staff member.
- Videoing a fight with the intention of publishing on social media.
- Using social media to share news of planned inappropriate behaviours.
- Choosing to be a bystander or part of 'mob mentality' to encourage fighting or intentional physical contact.
- Using social media to intimidate or bully students and staff. Cyberbullying that affects relationships at school will be investigated by staff and parents will be informed.
- Not complying with the school Dress Code with repeated reminders.
- Frequent use of inappropriate language, substitutions, insinuations, and gestures within the school setting.
- Use of e-cigarettes and vaping on school grounds.

#### **PROCEDURAL SUMMARY**

- At the commencement of the school year the classroom teacher will explain to the students the Good Standing Policy, the requirements for maintaining Good Standing and the consequences of any breaches.
- A Good Standing contract will be issued to each Year 6 student, with a letter of explanation that they will take home and peruse with their parents and return signed within five (5) days. If required, this will give the parent/guardian time to discuss with the classroom teacher. If the Good Standing contract is not returned within five (5) days, the classroom teacher will contact the parent/guardian to discuss the matter and/or arrange a meeting.

  Once the Good Standing contract is returned the Year 6 student is issued Good Standing status.
- Any breach of the Good Standing Contract (as per the Good Standing Policy) will invoke a discussion between the student, the classroom teacher and if required, a member of the School Administration Team. It is at the classroom teacher's discretion, with assistance from the School Administration Team, whether or not a breach is to be recorded.
- Any breaches by a student on a Good Standing contract are to be recorded in Integris as soon as possible after the incident.



- Student leaders' roles will be reviewed by the administration team and teaching staff if a breach occurs.
- Once a breach has been issued the student will be advised and then the parent/guardian will be advised through a letter and a phone call from the classroom teacher.
- If the parent/guardian wishes to discuss the breach of the Good Standing Policy they can organise a meeting with the classroom teacher and a member of the School Administration Team.
- Any student who reaches three (3) breaches of the Good Standing Policy will be ineligible to attend planned reward events.
- Furthermore, a student who has lost Good Standing will be placed on an Individual Behaviour Plan and counselled on strategies that will assist them in managing their behaviour in the future.
- The Principal reserves the right to restore Good Standing for any student who has demonstrated exemplary behaviour and work ethic.

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### Students have responsibility to:

- Maintain Good Standing.
- Comply with the School Behaviour Management Policy and School Behaviour Expectations.
- Maximise attendance and be punctual to all classes.
- Satisfactorily participate in and complete all class work.
- Bring in notes explaining absences and hand to the classroom teacher after any absence.
- Adhere to the school Dress Code.

#### Parents/Guardians have responsibility to:

- Explain legitimate absences by note, email, telephone call or SMS via Message You as per the Department of Education policy.
- Encourage students to maintain their Good Standing.
- Sign and return all paperwork in relation to Good Standing.

#### **Classroom Teachers have responsibility to:**

- Ensure that the Good Standing Policy is implemented in a fair and consistent manner.
- Maintain attendance records.
- Communicate with student, parents/guardians, other Year 6 teachers and Administration Team if class work or assessments are incomplete or missed without satisfactory explanation.
- Document or follow up any behavioural issues for students in their class and pass on to other Year 6 teachers and Administration Team in accordance with School Behaviour Management Policy.
- Maintain Good Standing breach records.
- Issue any breaches of Good Standing Policy letters to parents/guardians.
- Conduct parent/guardian and student meetings as required.

#### **Administration Team has responsibility to:**

- Ensure that the Good Standing Policy is implemented in a fair and consistent manner.
- Provide support and advice to classroom teachers, students and parents/guardians.
- Conduct parent/guardian and student meetings as required.



#### **SAMPLE LETTER**

Date				
Mr and Mrs Address				
Dear Mr and Mrs				
BREACH	OF GOOD STANDING POLICY			
I regretfully advise that has breached the Success Primary School Good Standing Policy by:				
	Discussion with a member of our administration team about breaches to our Success PS Code of Conduct (Behaviour Expectations and iPad User Agreement).  Starting a fight Participating in a fight.  Making physical contact with intention to harm another student or staff member.  Videoing a fight with the intention of publishing on social media.  Using social media to share news of planned inappropriate behaviours.			
	Choosing to be a bystander or part of 'mob mentality' to encourage fighting or intentional physical contact.  Using social media to intimidate or bully students and staff. Cyberbullying that affects relationships at school will be investigated by staff and parents will be informed.			
	Not complying with the school Dress Code with repeated reminders.  Frequent use of inappropriate language, substitutions, insinuations, and gestures within the school setting.			
	Use of e-cigarettes and vaping on school grounds.  Other:			

In accordance with the Good Standing Policy and the Good Standing Contract that was signed at the beginning of the year, your child has been issued a breach for the above behaviour. Please remember that if a student reaches three (3) breaches in the current year they will lose their Good Standing and be ineligible to attend planned reward events.

Should you wish to discuss this breach, please organise a meeting with your child's classroom teacher and a member of the Administration Team.

Regarding the above breach, your child has been counselled about the expected standards and it is hopeful that no further breaches will occur.

Yours sincerely

Classroom Teacher

Year 6 - Success Primary School

DOCUMENT HISTORY					
DATE	REV	APPROVED			
22 February 2023	1.2	Deputy Princpial – review of breaches to Good Standing			
11 February 2022	1.1	Deputy Princpial – review of breaches to Good Standing			
17 February 2021	1.0	Deputy Principal			
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### **GOOD STANDING CONTRACT**

It is my responsibility to maintain my Good Standing by upholding the following conditions expected of me as a Year 6 student at Success Primary School:

- Signing and returning the Good Standing Contract to my classroom teacher.
- Satisfactory behaviour in the classroom (including specialist classes) and in the playground according to the School Behaviour Expectations.
- Satisfactory attendance and punctuality.
- Satisfactory participation and completion of all class work.

Satisfactory attendance is deemed to be above 85% attendance at school, or in the event of an absence, a satisfactory explanation of the absence.

I understand that breaches of the above Good Standing include, but are not limited to:

- Discussion with a member of our administration team about breaches to our Success PS Code of Conduct (Behaviour Expectations and iPad User Agreement).
- Starting a fight.
- Participating in a fight.
- Making physical contact with intention to harm another student or staff member.
- Videoing a fight with the intention of publishing on social media.
- Using social media to share news of planned inappropriate behaviours.
- Choosing to be a bystander or part of 'mob mentality' to encourage fighting or intentional physical contact.
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I also understand that if I do breach any of the Good Standing Policy conditions, I will be issued with a breach in the form of a letter to my parent/guardian and a phone call to my parent/guardian by my classroom teacher. If I exceed three (3) breaches within the year, I will lose my Good Standing and become ineligible to attend planned reward events.

I further understand that if I or my parents/guardians wish to discuss any part of the Good Standing Policy or any breach of it, I can arrange a meeting with my classroom teacher and a member of the Administration Team.

I	(Student Name) understand the above Good Standing Contract		
and hereby declare that I will adh	ere to the above conditions.		
Student Name:	Date:		
Classroom Teacher:	Date:		