

# **Timboon P-12 School Rights and Responsibilities**

# **POLICY**

This policy is to be read in conjunction with the **Student Code of Conduct and Staff Code of Conduct**.

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF POLICY**

- 1.1 To promote a happy, safe, supportive and stimulating learning environment that meets the needs of the school community
- 1.2 To promote strong standards of behaviour
- 1.3 To promote self discipline and respect for the rights of others .

## **2.0 PRINCIPLES**

- 2.1 All members of the school community should have the right to:
  - Receive respect from others, to be treated fairly and without discrimination, regardless of religious, cultural, racial and sexual differences, age, disability or socio-economic status
  - Freedom from intimidation
  - Have individual and community property protected
  - A clean, safe, orderly and cooperative environment
  - Rational settlement of problems and opportunity to put one's point of view respectfully
  - Learn without interference
  - Express opinions, share ideas and ask questions
  - Attend a school which is valued by the community.
- 2.2 All members of the school community have a responsibility to respect the rights of others. Consequently members of the school community should:
  - Allow others the opportunity to express themselves
  - Treat others with respect
  - Respect others' property
  - Assist in maintaining the school in a clean and safe condition
  - Act in a manner which will bring credit to the school.
- 2.3 School Rules should be established reflecting one's rights and responsibilities
- 2.4 Classroom teachers should establish a classroom management plan with their students consistent with the **Student Code of Conduct** and **Teacher Code of Conduct**
- 2.5 Rights, responsibilities and rules should be discussed with students to help their understanding

## **3.0 HOW THIS POLICY WILL BE PUT INTO PRACTICE**

- 3.1 Classroom teachers will implement the classroom management plan which will embody the guidelines
- 3.2 The Student Code of Conduct will list the rights and responsibilities of individuals, the School rules and possible consequences for breaches of rules
- 3.3 The two step policy will be displayed around the school
- 3.4 A School Welfare Coordinator will be appointed (from within Principal Class)
- 3.5 The Student Code of Conduct will be reviewed each year by the Leadership Committee

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- 3.6 The Student Code of Conduct will be printed in student diaries and displayed prominently throughout the school
- 3.7 Relevant year level coordinators will assist teachers in the implementation of the Student Code of Conduct and where necessary pass onto Sub-school leaders and Principal Class
- 3.8 Suspension and expulsion procedures will follow DET guidelines