

POLICY STATEMENT

The Good Standing Policy works as a broader whole-school Positive Behaviour Support approach and encourages students to maintain expected standards of attendance, engagement and behaviour. The policy is underpinned by our Positive Behaviour Matrix which is based on our school values and clearly describes the behavioural expectations at Bunbury Senior High School.

GOOD STANDING

All students commence with Good Standing at the beginning of each school year. Good Standing indicates that the student is abiding by the expectations outlined below. Students who maintain Good Standing are eligible to participate fully in school incursions, excursions, representing the school, social events and reward activities.

Maintaining Good Standing requires:

1. Regular attendance and punctuality
2. Satisfactory academic engagement
3. Positive behaviour (in accordance with the *Positive Behaviour Matrix*)

Students have responsibility to:

- attend school regularly and be punctual to all classes
- in the event of absence, catch up on content missed in negotiation with the class teacher
- engage in learning to maximise personal progress and achievement
- adhere to school policies (ie. mobile phone, examination) and procedures
- behave in a positive, pro-social manner in accordance with the school's Positive Behaviour Matrix.

Parents/Carers have responsibility to:

- ensure regular attendance at school
- provide an explanation for all absences within three (3) days by SMS, email or telephone
- encourage and support engagement in learning
- work collaboratively with the school to resolve any concerns that may impact on a student's progress and achievement
- adhere to and support school policies and procedures.

ADVANCED GOOD STANDING

Students who are considered "*Exemplary*" school citizens, identified through the school's Recognition Program, are awarded with Advanced Standing.

Students who achieve *Kingia* recognition in the previous year, commence the new school year with Advanced Standing. To maintain Advanced Standing, the student is required to achieve Citizenship Recognition in Terms One and Two.

To gain Advanced Standing for Semester Two of a school year, students are required to achieve Citizenship Recognition in Terms One and Two.

Advanced Standing students will have access to additional school privileges.

LOSS OF GOOD STANDING

Student attendance, engagement and behaviour is monitored regularly. If a student is identified as being at risk of losing Good Standing, this will be communicated to the student and their parent/caregiver. Support and intervention strategies will be planned, documented and applied in collaboration with the student and the parent/caregiver. If there is limited or no response to planned supports and interventions, Loss of Good Standing may be applied.

Loss of Good Standing is applied automatically when a student is suspended for any serious breach of school discipline. Loss of Good Standing may also be applied for significant events where suspension was considered. The period of Loss of Good Standing will be applied for a minimum of 3 weeks at the discretion of the relevant Program Coordinator of Student Services and Senior School.

When a student loses their Good Standing:

- a formal notification will be provided to the student and their parent/caregiver
- ongoing support will be provided to the student to assist them to regain Good Standing
- students have the opportunity to appeal their loss of Good Standing.

Loss of Good Standing Appeal Form

CONSEQUENCES OF LOSS OF GOOD STANDING

A student without Good Standing will not be permitted to participate in extra-curricular activities. In exceptional circumstances the Principal may choose to exclude students from participating in co-curricular activities, in which case alternative arrangements will be made to ensure students receive the information required.

Co-curricular activities are learning experiences that take place outside of the classroom but are still tied to the classroom curriculum and may be assessed in some way. These activities are inclusive of all students studying a particular course and their attendance is required.

Extra-curricular activities are learning experiences that enhance learning, but these activities are voluntary and are not required for the completion of a course.

REGAINING GOOD STANDING

Students will be counselled as to what criteria needs to be met for them to regain Good Standing.

Good Standing is regained for a student when they have met expected standards of attendance, engagement and behaviour OR have met individualised improvement targets.

When a student regains their Good Standing:

- a formal notification will be provided to the student and their parent/caregiver
- access to extra-curricular activities and events is reinstated.