



Sorrento Primary School Good Standing Policy

Introduction

The Good Standing Policy provides a system to assist our students of Sorrento Primary School, to maintain a satisfactory level of attendance, course participation and behaviour. The Good Standing Policy supports our values of Excellence, Respect, and Consideration.

Rationale

In 2018, Hon Sue Ellery, MLC Minister for Education and Training, developed a plan to support school staff so they are clear about what is expected and confident that their actions to maintain orderly learning environments for students will be backed by the Department of Education. The plan included a mandate that every public school would add 'good standing' requirements to its behaviour policy. • Students who do the wrong thing will have privileges removed – such as being banned from school social activities. • Students can earn back 'good standing' by making amends and behaving well.

Maintaining Good Standing requires:

- Completion of school work and assessments
- Behaving in a way that is appropriate and inclusive of staff and student rights
- Satisfactory attendance and punctuality
- Adherence to Sorrento Primary School dress code
- Adherence to the Student Code of Conduct and Values

MAINTENANCE OF GOOD STANDING

- 'Good Standing' is a status all Sorrento Primary School students are granted at the start of each five-week block.
- Students who lose their 'Good Standing' may lose the privilege to participate in various events and leadership roles for the period of loss.
- Students may lose the privilege to participate in activities where the safety of other students is a concern.
- Students who lose their Good Standing three times in a year may jeopardise their participation in the end of year events such as; camps, dinner dance etc.
- Good Standing may be reinstated within the 5-week period, providing:
 - the student is participating or performing consistently to the best of their ability.
 - issues relating to suspension/ behavioural breaches are resolved
 - compliance with the 'Dress Code' is observed.
- The decision to withdraw or maintain or reinstate Good Standing will be at the discretion of the Principal in consultation with relevant staff.

Students may lose their 'Good Standing' as a consequence of

- Three classroom withdrawals to buddy class for serious unacceptable behaviours. This must be entered on SIS by the classroom teacher and parents informed.
- Three detentions for classroom referrals to Administration. This must be entered on SIS by Administration and parents informed.
- Three detentions for playground referrals which have been entered on SIS by Administration.
- Suspension. . This must be entered on SIS by Administration and parents informed.

Dress Code

- The correct school uniform is consistently not being adhered to, in accordance with the school dress code. This will be recorded by the classroom teacher or Administration.

Attendance

- Regular truant behaviours without parent approval or explanation.

Severe Clause

- Students may lose the privilege to participate in activities where the safety of other students is a concern.
- Students who are involved in a 'one off' severe behaviour incident in the classroom or playground will automatically lose their 'Good Standing'.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Students have responsibility to:

- maintain Good Standing
- comply with all school policies and procedures
- maximise attendance and be punctual to all classes
- provide an explanation of absence on return to school after any absence
- behave in accordance with the school values and 'Code of Conduct'
- perform and participate to the best of their ability in school-based pursuits.

Parents have responsibility to:

- encourage students to maintain their Good Standing
- ensure their child(ren) adhere to the dress code.
- attend interviews as required
- encourage and support their children to perform and participate to the best of their ability in school-based pursuits.

Classroom Teachers have responsibility to:

- maintain attendance and behaviour records
- document attitude and effort, punctuality, dress code & behavioural issues for students in their class & pass on to school Administration team
- monitor all stages of procedure
- maintain an overall perspective of student attendance, performance, behaviour and dress standard in order to support students in meeting their Good Standing responsibilities. This includes implementing early intervention strategies to assist students with developing appropriate behaviour modification programs

Regaining 'Good Standing':

All students will regain '**Good Standing**' at the beginning of each 5-week period.

Teachers will regularly acknowledge students for maintaining their '**Good Standing**'

Student signature _____ Date _____



SORRENTO PRIMARY SCHOOL LOSS OF GOOD STANDING

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STUDENT: _____ TA _____

DATE: _____

Dear Parent/Guardian

This is to inform you that _____ has lost their Good Standing.

This has occurred for the following reason(s):

- Punctuality
- Attitude and Effort
- Behaviour
- Dress Code
- Violence
- Comment: _____

_____ has been spoken to about the above issues and the consequences of their actions.

The loss of Good Standing will last for a period of 5 school weeks for lower school students or 4 school weeks for upper school students and is effective from

_____ to _____. During this period your child will not be permitted to attend any non-curriculum excursions or school events. Two loses of good standing in a period of 12 months will likely exclude your child's attendance at the end of year camp.

Hopefully, together we can resolve these issues and move forward in a positive manner.

Yours sincerely

Anne Alford
Principal