

Good Standing Policy

As a Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) school, we are focused on improving student academic and behaviour outcomes by ensuring all students have access to the most effective and accurately implemented instructional and behavioural practices and interventions possible.

At River Valley Primary School, the Good Standing Policy is in accordance to the State Governments 'Let's Take a Stand Together' action plan. It also supports our values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience, by acknowledging and rewarding exemplary behaviour, positive work ethic. We believe learning is enhanced in a welcoming, inclusive, collaborative and caring environment.

The Good Standing Policy, works alongside our PBS whole-school approach which, aims to provide regular acknowledgement / recognition to the vast majority of students who consistently behave and act according to our values. The Good Standing Policy emphasises the importance of students taking responsibility for the choices they make on a daily basis, which impact academically and socially on themselves and others.

GOOD STANDING

Good Standing is a status all River Valley Primary School students are granted at the start of the year. It is the responsibility of each student to maintain their Good Standing. Students with Good Standing will have the opportunity and privilege to participate in various events throughout the school year. Examples of these events include, interschool sporting events, extra-curricular events such as leadership opportunities, winter carnival, cross country, Leonardo Day, camps and whole school rewards as well as Year 6 Leaving activities.

To Maintain 'Good Standing' students must:

Students will maintain their Good Standing if they:

- Demonstrate the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resiliency during all school activities.
- Display the desired behaviour as outlined in the Positive Behaviour Matrix.
- Follow classroom behaviour agreements and procedures.

LOSS OF GOOD STANDING

A student's Good Standing status will be withdrawn following consultation with the Principal and the classroom teacher for the following reasons:

- In school withdrawal or out of school suspension.
- Bullying (including cyberbullying).
- Being referred to the office for poor classroom behaviour more than 3 times in a 30 day period.
- More than 3 time-outs for poor behaviour in the playground in a 30 day period.
- Any other severe breach of our school values.

LOSS OF GOOD STANDING - PROCEDURES

- 1. Classroom teachers will have a conversation with the parents/guardians of students 'at risk' of losing their Good Standing.
- 2. The classroom teacher and a member of the Principal will determine if a child loses Good Standing.
- 3. The classroom teacher and/or Principal will discuss with the child why they have lost Good Standing and what behaviours are required to regain Good Standing.
- 4. Parents are informed that the student has lost their Good Standing Status for a period of:
 - 15 days for students in Pre-primary to Year 2; and
 - 30 days for students in Year 3 to Year 6.
- During the Loss of Good Standing period, the student's behaviour will be monitored and the student will be supported to display the behaviours required to regain Good Standing.

Note:

- If a student leader loses their Good Standing, they will lose the right to wear their badge and carry out their role for a period of 30 days. Any subsequent loss of Good Standing may result in a permanent relinquishing of their position.
- Year 6 students who lose their Good Standing throughout the schooling year or within a 30 day period prior to the event could jeopardise their participation in the Year 6 camp or Leaving Ceremony Activities.

REGAINING GOOD STANDING

Students who regain their Good Standing after displaying the desired behaviours for the designated time period. The desired behaviours and supports put in place will be documented and discussed with all stakeholders. Prior to the reinstatement of good standing a restorative conversation with the teacher or the Principal will take place upon reinstatement.

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INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCE

One size does not fit all. Positive behaviour is learnt and consideration needs to be given to the individual needs of students. The Good Standing Policy is provided to maintain consistency in our decision making processes. It is important to note that if: -

- 1. there are extenuating circumstances that have resulted in the negative behaviours;
- 2. a student has specials needs; and / or
- 3. there was a significant period of positive behaviour since the previous negative behaviour.

Then, these factors will be taken into account and any decision to withdraw or maintain Good Standing, will be at the discretion of the Principal in consultation with the classroom teacher.