

## **GOOD STANDING POLICY**

### **Year 7 - 12**

The concept of *Good Standing* is to acknowledge and reward those students who display the school's core values of Harmony and Excellence and to encourage all students to improve their general performance.

Every student will start with Good Standing. Students retain their Good Standing by demonstrating the school's expected behaviours.

**Leeming Senior High School students** will maintain their Good Standing by demonstrating:

- Satisfactory attendance and punctuality as defined in this policy: An absence is deemed unsatisfactory if it is unexplained or the explanation, in the view of the Deputy Principal, is inadequate or inappropriate.
- Completion of all course requirements in accordance with subject outlines.
- Satisfactory behaviour by adhering to the standards of the school's Code of Conduct as defined by the Behaviour expectations detailed in this policy.
- Meeting the requirements of the school's dress code.

## **PROCEDURE**

Loss of Good Standing for five (5) weeks will occur in the case of: –

### **Absence/Lateness**

- If students do not provide evidence to clear unexplained absences after they have been reminded; and/or
- Students who are consistently late to school without satisfactory explanation even after intervention.
- Maintain a minimum of 90% attendance (documented diagnosed or acceptable explained issues aside).

### **Course Requirements**

- A Head of Learning Area (HOLA) or Program Coordinator may recommend loss of Good Standing if, after intervention, a student is demonstrating poor application, late/unsatisfactory completion of homework or coursework, comes unprepared for lessons, or does not respect the rights of others to learn.

### **Dress Code**

- Ongoing non-compliance with the School Dress Code after intervention.
- No more than 3 uniform breaches in the term.
- Uniform breaches in specialist areas requiring specific uniform or equipment are covered in Learning Area policy, however 3 breaches of Learning Area policy will result in a referral to a Student Services Manager for Good standing consideration. See appendix A

### **Behaviour Expectations**

- Repeated breaches of the school Positive Student Behaviour Policy including truancy and not following teacher instructions.
- No more than 3 behaviour referrals to Chronicle in the semester (referrals to HOLA, SSM or DP).
- No more than incident 2 on the Mobile Device Policy.

### **Suspension**

- Any act which results in suspension.
- Intention to Suspend Notice.

### **Positive Consequences of Maintaining Good Standing**

Students with Good Standing have earned the privilege to participate in specialist programs and extracurricular activities. These include representation of the school in sporting and non-sporting events, participation in school socials and school balls, reward activities and other school privileges.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF LOSS OF GOOD STANDING**

A student without Good Standing will not participate in any 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. All students do not have the ability to access all extra-curricular activities.

Privileges lost will include all activities in the following extra-curricular areas:

- Social Events (e.g. School Ball, year group socials).
- Special programs (e.g. Camps, excursions, after school activities).
- School representation at Competitions and Carnivals (e.g. Maths Olympiad, Lightning Carnivals).
- Tours (Intrastate, Interstate and International) (e.g. Service, Volleyball, Maths, Languages, Music, Camps).
- Other activities (e.g. Valedictory, non-compulsory subject-based events, school clubs).

### **Notification**

Staff will be notified of students who have lost good standing through Chronicle. Teachers in charge of excursions will be notified directly at the time of loss of Good Standing.

The student and parents/guardians will be notified in writing via email at the time of losing Good Standing.

### **Helping Students Maintain their Good Standing/Regain their Good Standing**

We work with students to support them to maintain their Good Standing or regain it if they lose their Good Standing status. The Student Services Team monitors student attendance and the degree to which students demonstrate desirable behaviours and attitudes. When areas of concern are identified, parents are notified and appropriate team members work with the student to address the issue/s. Students are given positive support to help them improve their attendance or to address a particular behaviour or attitude.

- Improvement to acceptable standards over a 4-week period will enable students to regain their Good Standing
- Suspension – Students must meet the conditions set out in the Return from Suspension Meeting
- Students can regain their Good Standing status by submitting a Good Standing evaluation application that is supported by two staff/teachers, along with a monitoring sheet. The application will be emailed to all staff for their information and support. The Student Services team will review applications.



**Students with repeated loss of Good Standing will be required to meet with the Deputy Principal, the Student Services Manager and their parent/guardian to discuss suitable educational alternatives.**

#### Appendix A – Learning Area Uniform

- teacher enters dates and teacher consequence of each infraction onto Compass (including that contact has been made with parent/guardian - just one contact, not one contact for each infraction)
- HOLA alerted to 3 strikes by teacher
- HOLA informs relevant SS Manager of 3 strikes occurring and data on Compass
- result is one strike is given toward Loss of Good Standing by SS Manager