



APPENDIX 1

Our Good Standing Policy:

At Ellen Stirling Primary School, the **Good Standing Policy** supports our Moral Purpose of providing a safe, enriched learning and teaching environment driven by high expectations for success. By acknowledging and rewarding exemplary student behaviour, work ethic, attendance and standards of uniform we reinforce our 'You Can Do It' program which explicitly reinforces and teaches *persistence, getting along, confidence, organisation, manners* and *resilience* within the school as a whole. We believe that learning is enhanced in a welcoming, inclusive, collaborative and caring environment free from disruption and any form of violence. The Good Standing Policy emphasises the importance of students taking responsibility for the choices that they make on a daily basis, which impacts academically and socially on themselves and others. The Good Standing Policy is a part of and works in conjunction with the whole school Behaviour Management Policy. It aims to provide regular acknowledgement / recognition for the majority of students who consistently behave and act according to Ellen Stirling Primary School's policies.

To Maintain 'Good Standing' students must:

- Comply with the Ellen Stirling Primary School's Behaviour Management Policy;
- Adhere to the Ellen Stirling Primary School Rules, Classroom Policy and Procedures;
- Adhere to the Ellen Stirling Primary School Attendance Policy;
- Adhere to the Ellen Stirling Primary School Dress Code Policy.

'Good Standing' is a status all Ellen Stirling Primary School students are granted at the start of each five-week block:

- It is the responsibility of each student to maintain their **'Good Standing'**;
- Students with **'Good Standing'** are eligible to participate in all extra-curricular activities on and off site during school hours and after hours;
- Students who lose their **'Good Standing'** may lose the privilege to participate in various events throughout the school year. Examples: - excursions, camps, interschool sporting events, sports days and nominating for school leadership positions;
- Students may lose the privilege to participate in activities where the safety of other students is a concern.

A student's **'Good Standing'** status will be withdrawn following consultation with the Executive School Team and the Classroom Teacher for the following reasons:

- Three detentions for classroom referrals to Administration. This must be entered on Integris by the Executive Team with parents notified;
- Three detentions for playground referrals which have been entered on Integris by the Executive Team;
- Suspension;
- If a Student Leader loses their **'Good Standing'**, they will lose their badge and their right to represent the school for a five-week period. A Student Leader who loses their **'Good Standing'** three times in a year will forfeit their badge permanently and the student who rated the next highest in the voting will be awarded the position.

Parents and Guardians of students 'at risk' of losing their **'Good Standing'** will be contacted by Teachers or the Executive Administration Team. This will be through a phone call and then on loss of **'Good Standing'**, formally via letter.

Attendance:

Unauthorised and / or attendance below 90% in any five-week period. This means any unexplained absences or vacations that have not been authorised by the Administration. Medical evidence will be taken into consideration for absences below 90%.

Dress Code:

The correct school uniform is worn less than 90% in the five-week period. This will be recorded by the classroom teacher.

Severe Clause:

- Students may lose the privilege to participate in activities where the safety of other students is a concern. Any form of violence will result in the loss of 'Good Standing';
- Students who are involved in a 'one off' severe behaviour incident in the classroom or playground may automatically lose their '**Good Standing**'.
- Students who lose their '**Good Standing**' three times in a year may jeopardise their participation in sporting carnivals, camps, incursions and excursions etc.

Regaining '*Good Standing*':

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

The **Good Standing Policy** is provided to maintain consistency in our decision making processes. It is important to note that these are guidelines and if:

- There are extenuating circumstances that have resulted in the negative behaviours;
- A student has special needs and / or;
- There is 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.