

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

POLICY

Rationale:

Student leadership provides an opportunity for students to actively participate in the decision-making processes at the college. Students are encouraged to take on leadership roles in an endeavour to increase their own leadership skills and to act as effective role models for the student body.

Our college believes encouraging student leadership ensures we are developing our community leaders of the future.

Aims:

- To provide opportunities for students to play a significant and effective role in the decision making processes of our school.
- To provide an opportunity for students to become skilled in all aspects of leadership.
- To ensure that student leaders are positive role models for other students.
- To create a whole school community where every member feels their contribution is valuable.

Implementation:

- A Student Representative Council will be constituted annually, and student representatives elected from each year level.
- The school will, by process of student and staff vote, elect two school captains each year (one male, one female) and one deputy captain.
- Captains and deputy-captains will also be elected at each sub-school, i.e. Middle School and Junior School
- Senior & Junior House Captains, and Vice Captains will be elected for each of the four Houses of the College
- Student representatives will be invited to participate on School Council.
- A process of feedback and consultation will be implemented to ensure that the views of the whole student body are being considered.
- The school will provide opportunities for the student leadership team to undertake leadership professional development.
- Students will be actively encouraged to participate in community based student leadership development programs with the full support of the school.
- Opportunities will be provided for the student leadership team to practice their leadership skills in a variety of forums.
- The student leadership team will be invited at School Council meetings to present issues raised by the student body.
- The student leadership team will be provided with an appropriate current staff member to act as mentor to the group.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed with student input as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

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