

Rationale

Catholic Schools Broken Bay gratefully acknowledges the NSW Department of Education and Communities for permission to use and adapt material from the Drugs in Schools Policy (October 10 2022).

The purpose of this policy is to outline the requirements for Catholic schools Broken Bay, for the management of drug related incidents in schools. It aims to support schools to plan and implement appropriate responses to drug related incidents, with an emphasis on prevention through drug education, safe and supportive school environments, and intervention and support for students who may be involved.

Guiding Principles and Objectives

A whole school approach to managing drug related issues should focus on:

prevention through drug education and safe and supportive school environments

intervention through appropriate procedures for dealing with drug related incidents at school and support for students and families who may be involved.

Drug issues should be approached within the context of the pastoral care policy and the school's behaviour management procedures. These provide a systematic and practical framework within which schools can manage drug related issues.

Policy Statement

1.1 This policy relates to the supply or misuse of drugs by students on school premises or at school activities.

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Policy and the suspension and expulsion procedures. Principals must report incidents involving illegal drugs to the Office of the Director and the Senior Lead: Student Enablement and Engagement.

1.5 **Alcohol**

Alcohol must not be consumed on or brought to school premises during school hours. This includes employees, students and visitors and other people who use school premises. Alcohol must not be consumed or brought to school-related events where students are present, including excursions, camps, sporting events and concerts.

If alcohol is served at any school function or within the school outside school hours, prior permission must be obtained from the principal. Any use of alcohol is subject to the laws and regulations regarding the supply, serving and consumption of alcohol.

Principals must manage incidents involving student alst(-)Tj0.017 Tc 31.84c On(1)46113 6

1.9 Drug testing students, including breath testing

Students must not be drug tested at school or during school activities such as excursions and sporting events.

Audience

All schools, parents/caregivers, and the wider school community.

This policy does not apply to lawful and responsible use of prescribed or other medication.

Key Responsibilities

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