



Drug and Alcohol Free School Policy

Rational

Maroochydore State High School's core values are Learning, Respect & Safety. Students have a right to learn and teachers have the right to teach in an environment that is both safe and supportive. This policy covers the possession, supply and use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, the misuse of over-the-counter and prescribed medications and the misuse of volatile substances on school premises.

Policy Guidelines

It is against Maroochydore State High Schools' Responsible Behaviour Plan for an enrolled student, whilst on the school premises, at a school function, excursion or school camp or in uniform before and after school to:

- Supply, possess and/or use tobacco products including cigarette lighters.
- Supply, possess and/or use alcohol or to be under the influence of alcohol.
- Deliberately inhale volatile substances or be affected by such substances or have in possession volatile substances for this use.
- Supply, possess and/or use illegal drugs or be under the influence of such drugs.
- Supply or possess drug related contraband, except in the use of lawful medical use such as Diabetic kit.
- Possess materials that promote the use of drugs.
- Apply pressure on peers to become involved in circumstances concerning unsanctioned substances.

Procedures

If any student enrolled in the school possesses, uses, or deals any of the drugs on the Queensland Criminal Code listing whilst at school, attending a school related function, on school excursion or in school uniform, the student will be in breach of our policy. Students who do not follow the school's policy may receive long term suspensions and in serious cases such as supplying drugs to other students within the school, could be recommended for exclusion. The same policy applies to the possession, supply and/or use of alcohol or volatile substances.

Those students returning for disciplinary consequences will be required to engage in a drug rehabilitation program conducted through the school's Student Support Team.

See Procedures for Managing Drug and Alcohol Use below. The Principal reserves the right to select responsive strategies in accordance with relevant Legislation and Policies.

Support

Drug and Alcohol Education is embedded in the Pastoral Care and curriculum programs as a key preventative measure in the on-going effort to address drug related harm. Staff will be involved in the delivery of age appropriate material and utilise internal and external support personnel as part of whole school Drug and Alcohol Education. Internal and external support services are available for students and families wishing to access support for Drug and Alcohol related issues.

Procedures for Managing Drug and Alcohol Use

