

Mater Dei Catholic College

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Name: **STUDENT SPONSORSHIP POLICY**

Purpose: .

Relevant to:

Responsible Officer(s):

Date of Introduction:

Date of Review: February 2022

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Related Documents:



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Vision

In keeping with the vision statement of the Diocese of Wagga Wagga, Mater Dei Catholic College strives to be a nurturing community which;

- Is founded in Catholic faith, justice and love
- Is inclusive
- Is learner centred
- Seeks excellence and wisdom

Mission

"The person of each individual human being, in her or his material and spiritual needs, is at the heart of Christ's teaching; this is why the promotion of the human person is the goal of the Catholic School." JP11 (#9)

As nurturers we are called to;

- Care for each individual, affirming their dignity and uniqueness
- Foster the right relationships with God, creation, self and others
- Provide particular attention to those most in need
- Build a welcoming, safe and supportive school environment

"The Catholic School fosters a particular climate where students, teachers, parents, clergy, non-teaching staff and the wider community feel welcomed and valued." (Barry Dwyer)

We are entrusted to;

- Nourish our spiritual life and ministry
- Connect with the Parish, Diocesan and wider community
- Strengthen relationships and communicate between members of the education community
- Make present the spirit of Nano Nagle, Edmund Rice and Mary, Mother of God

"...knowledge set in the context of faith becomes wisdom and life vision." JP11 (#14)

As faithful we are called to;

- Strive for an understanding of ourselves and others as dignified and loved by God
- Value the unique contributions made by each person
- Practice justice through tolerance, empathy and service
- Pray, celebrate and evangelise with a Catholic perspective
- Build hope in a faith filled future

"...all human values find their fulfillment and unity in Christ." JP11 (#3)

"...there is no separation between time for learning and time for formation, between acquiring notions and growing in wisdom." JP11 (#14)

As learners we are encouraged to;

- Develop the values, knowledge and skills necessary to undertake lifelong personal, spiritual and intellectual growth
- Strive for excellence through programs which cater to the needs, interests and abilities of the individual



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Student Sponsorship Policy

Rationale:

Students at our school are periodically selected to represent the state in national competitions, or represent Australia in international events. The College seeks to recognise and support such outstanding achievement.

Aims:

To recognise and support outstanding achievements by students through means of College sponsorship.

Guidelines:

The College will provide funds to contribute towards the cost of payment of some of the costs incurred by the families of students who have been selected for and then attended State or Australian National Sporting Trials for sports with a pathway through Diocesan competitions. Sponsorships will also be available to students representing the College at a co-curricula or curricula event (such as Music, Arts, Science, Politics or Leadership) where selection has been at a state or national level.

Applications may be made to the Principal by families for financial support as per these guidelines. Families would need to provide:

- Details of the representative activity and the selection process
- Proof of attendance at a State or Australian trial/competition or learning opportunity. Evidence of payment (eg receipt, bank transfer) for student to participate in trial/event.

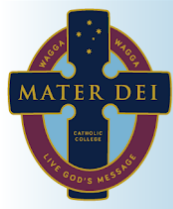
Level of Support:

The College will support individual students with a maximum sponsorship at the following levels:

- State Representation for Sport, Curricula or Co-curricular - \$250
- National Programs - \$300
- International Programs - \$500

Implementation:

- Students who are selected for national or international representation in any discipline (sport, arts, music, leadership etc) are ambassadors of our College and reflect positively on our reputation.
- The College seeks to recognise and support these students in their endeavours.
- The financial assistance is not conditional upon performance, but it is expected that all students at any event will conduct themselves appropriately at all time.
- Sponsorship by the College is subject to all family tuition and learning fees being paid up to date, prior to departure for the event.
- The school may allocate an appropriate staff member to attend the event with the student if it is appropriate to do so.



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Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the College's regular review cycle.