

"Honour Above Honours"

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CO-CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION POLICY

Rationale

Biloela State High School is a place of learning. Co-curricular and extra-curricular activities provide students the opportunity to engage in curriculum, cultural, service and sporting opportunities to complement teaching and learning experiences as part of a whole school program. These opportunities both support and challenge students to reach their full potential within and beyond the school community and have lasting benefits for students beyond their schooling life.

Objectives

In order to ensure a strong focus on teaching and learning, maximise student achievement and ensure the school is represented positively, students are required to meet minimum benchmarks to participate in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

This policy is designed to:

- Reinforce the school's behaviour expectations of:
 - I am SAFE.
 - I am MY BEST.
 - I am RESPECTFUL.
 - I am RESPONSIBLE.
- Ensure that all students are provided with every opportunity to achieve success in their academic studies.
- Encourage students to find a balance between their academic studies, co-curricular and extra-curricular involvement.

Types of Activities

Activities fall into the following categories:

- Curriculum.
- Cultural.
- Service.
- Sporting.
- Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) acknowledgement.

Curriculum

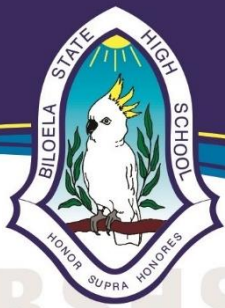
Examples of activities in this category include but are not limited to:

- Brain Bee.
- Readers Cup.
- Mathematics Competitions.
- QMEA Excursions.

Cultural

Examples of activities in this category include but are not limited to:

- Art Shows.
- Eisteddfod.
- School Musical.



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Service

Examples of activities in this category include but are not limited to:

- ANZAC Day Service.
- Remembrance Day Service.
- JBoys Gala Ball.

Sporting

Examples of activities in this category include but are not limited to:

- Port Curtis, Capricornia, Queensland and Australian trials.
- Tournaments.
- Gala Days.

PBL Acknowledgement

Examples of activities in this category include but are not limited to:

- House Cup acknowledgment activities.

Eligibility

To be eligible to participate in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities:

1. Students must have returned the excursion permission form by the due date.
2. Students must maintain an average attendance rate of 92% for the prior term. Absences supported by a Medical Certificate taken into account.
3. Students must maintain satisfactory behaviour. Students with excess of three Executive Leadership Team (ELT) or Head of Department (HoD) detentions or an extended withdrawal or a suspension from school for the prior term will not be eligible.
4. School fees must be up to date.

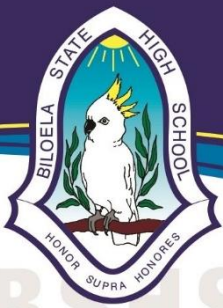
Process

At the beginning of each term, the Reporting Deputy Principal will compile and publish a list of students who are eligible to participate in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. This will last for the duration of the term.

The list of students will be published for all staff and students on Biloela State High School Staff and Student SharePoint.

All staff who are working with students in co-curricular and extra-curricular areas need to check the master list on SharePoint to screen participants.

The teacher responsible for the event will pass on the decision to exclude students from the activity individually to each affected student and explain the appeal process. Communication home will be made to parents/carers to notify them of the decision.



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Special Consideration

Students are permitted to make an application for special consideration. This application must be received at least two weeks prior to the activity. It is expected that this application will only be completed if some atypical or extraordinary event has taken place in the student's life that had a negative impact on their attendance or behaviour. This application will be considered by the Principal. The decision will be communicated in writing.

Endorsement

This policy was developed in consultation with the school community and meets identified school needs and systemic requirements.

Heather Murry
Principal
Monday 18th November, 2019

Chris McKinley
P&C President
Monday 18th November, 2019