



CENTRAL MIDLANDS Senior High School

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Good Standing Policy

RATIONALE

Central Midlands Senior High School Good Standing Policy recognises that the majority of students choose to behave in a positive manner, do the “right thing” and take responsibility for their actions as an individual of the school community. It is essential to clearly state the standard of performance and behaviour necessary for students to succeed at school. These standards will be clearly and regularly communicated to students so that they know and understand what is expected from them in terms of their school performance and behaviour.

The purpose of good standing is to:

- Provide extrinsic motivation to all students.
- Reward students who have done the right thing.
- Provide staff with a tool they can use to promote a positive learning environment.

WHAT IS GOOD STANDING?

All students commence their enrolment/school year at Central Midlands Senior High School with Good Standing.

Good Standing means students will be encouraged to develop responsibility for their actions and improve their general performance in the school community, by participation in a variety of extra-curricular activities which they will be invited to attend throughout the school year.

Maintaining Good Standing requires the student to:

- Attend school regularly or demonstrate a genuine effort to improve their attendance
- Demonstrate acceptable behaviour within the school community in line with the school Code of Conduct

Activities which require Good Standing include:

- Reward day activities
- School and Hostel social functions
- Extra curricula school sporting activities
- Non-essential extra curricula excursions

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LOSS OF GOOD STANDING

If a student loses their Good Standing, they are not able to participate in any school based activity as listed above, which falls outside the scope of the curriculum.

It is the responsibility of the student to earn back Good Standing.

ATTENDANCE & IMPROVED ATTENDANCE

Students will lose their Good Standing if:

- The equivalent of up to a single day or more per fortnight is missed without a medical certificate or valid parent/carer/guardian explanation.

- A student misses five or more periods of instruction time in one subject during one term without a valid explanation (truancy).
- Accumulates three or more consecutive days without a medical certificate or valid parent/carer/guardian explanation, in each week.

To avoid losing Good Standing the school must be notified by the Parent/Carer/Guardian, to explain all absences, within two days of being away.

To earn back Good Standing

Students who have lost their Good Standing due to attendance will be able to redeem their Good Standing by fulfilling their attendance requirements:

- Lower school students; within the 3-week loss of Good Standing.
- Upper students; within the initial 5-week loss of Good Standing and serious offenses of 7 to 10 weeks.

BEHAVIOUR

Students will lose their Good Standing if:

- Their behaviour is such that she/he has received a *Notice of Class Withdrawal* form six or more times (>6 pink slips) within a period of 3 weeks for junior school & 5 weeks for upper school.
- Their behaviour is such that she/he has been withdrawn from a subject area.
- The student is referred to the Student Services Manager/Deputy Principal or Principal for suspension after a serious transgression of the school's Code of Conduct.

In line with the WA Department of Education *Let's Take a Stand Together* document, <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/documents/43634987/0/Minister%27s+Statement+on+school+violence.pdf/a7c3915e-074f-e140-2cba-5c941910138e> immediate suspensions and subsequent loss of Good Standing will occur for any students who attack other students, instigate fights or film a fight rather than seek help.

TO EARN BACK GOOD STANDING

Student behaviour is within the guidelines of Central Midlands Senior High School's 'Code of Conduct':

- Respect other student's right to learn in a safe and supportive environment
- Follow reasonable directives from school officers
- Be an active learner
- Show care for the school environment

THE CONSEQUENCES OF LOSING GOOD STANDING

The student is unable to participate in extra curricula activities for a period of:

- Lower School - 3 weeks (e.g. school camps, school reward days, school sporting teams, school excursions etc.).
- Upper School - 5 weeks for the first loss of Good Standing, 7 weeks for the second loss and 10 weeks for the third loss (e.g. school social functions, school camps, reward days, school sporting teams, school ball, school reference etc.).

FOLLOWING LOSS OF GOOD STANDING

The Student Services Manager and or Deputy Principal/Principal in consultation with the student, parent/carer/guardian and a support person, may elect to call for a review of the conditions for regaining 'Good Standing'. This review process is final and can only alter the conditions for regaining 'Good Standing' and cannot reverse the decision to apply loss of Good Standing.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

- Need more information about the Good Standing Policy?
- Wish to know if you have lost Good Standing?
- Want to know how to earn back your Good Standing?

Contact Student Services Manager, Principal or Deputy Principal.