



## 4.3.2 Student Health and Safety Policy (Whole College)

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The College actively promotes student health, supports student health care needs, and identifies and attempts to minimise health risks within the context of the schools' resources, and the assistance available from specialist service providers.

To effectively cater for student needs the College is required to:

- obtain information from parents about their child's health care needs;
- respond effectively to the health care needs of students;
- develop action plans for students with diagnosed medical needs and emergencies; and
- develop and implement College procedures and practices to manage specific student health issues.

## On Acceptance of Enrolment

On acceptance of enrolment parents are required to complete all documentation as follows:

- Details relating to any required Action Plan, with supporting evidence from their child's medical practitioner.
- Information relating to a medical impairment that may require additional learning support.
- Complete emergency contact details onto the contact form supplied documentation.

## College Follow-up After Enrolment

After acceptance of enrolment the registrar will forward relevant student files pertaining to student health and medical needs to Student Services personnel for follow up and documenting on the College SEQTA data base.

Student files pertaining to students who have a medical impairment requiring support in the classroom are forwarded to the Head of Learning Support for follow up, documenting on the College SEQTA data base, and for handover to relevant teaching and support staff.

## On-Going Student Health Care Needs and Provisions

For students at the College the following requirements need to be met by parents and the College:

- Updating student emergency contact details on an annual basis, or earlier if required.
- Updating student emergency action plans on an annual basis, or earlier if required.
- Completion of required training of relevant staff to support student health care.
- Regular training of staff in First Aid including Anaphylaxis and Asthma care.
- Regular training of staff in use of the College defibrillator located at student services.

The above documents must be signed and dated by the child's medical practitioner and parents for students with special health care needs to provide accurate details relating to the child's well-being and care in the case of an emergency.

### *Parent co-operation/partnerships:*

Parents are encouraged to work in partnership and cooperate in providing the necessary health information and/or medication required. If parents do not cooperate, they should be informed in writing by the College Principal or delegate of the possible implications of failing to provide relevant health information and/or medication.

If parents do not respond to written communication, principals may:

- In the case of students of sufficient maturity (independent minor), be able to deal directly with the student who can make his/her own health care decisions;
- Seek agreement from the parent to liaise directly with the student's medical practitioner;
- If the school becomes aware that a student has a complex and/or potentially life-threatening condition, seek advice from the school/community health nurse and/or Legal Services;
- Refer the matter to the Department for Child Protection and Family Support as a case of medical neglect.



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If an ambulance is not available, the College Principal or nominated delegate will:

- seek advice from the ambulance or medical service prior to providing transport in a

- Conjunctivitis,
- Vomiting,
- Diarrhoea,
- Influenza,
- School Sores,
- Ringworm,



## Head Lice

The College has an agreed management, communication and education strategy to reduce the impact of head lice infestation in the Primary School. This includes the provision of a consent form, to be completed after successful enrolment. Notification letters are also sent out via Primary Administration and / or Student Services, should an infestation occur. There is an individual note for the parents of the child with the infestation and a separate letter of awareness for parents of students in the class.

### *Guidance*

A member of staff may examine the head of any student to ascertain whether head lice are present.

If head lice are found, the Principal or delegate has discretion under the School Education Act 1999 to require that a student does not attend or participate in an educational pr



## Teaching Staff

Includes school administrators, teachers other than school administrators; and any other class as prescribed in Regulation 127A of the School Education Regulations 2000.

### Relevant Legislation or Authority:

- Age of Majority Act 1972 (WA)
- Children and Community Services Act 2004 (WA)
- Disability Standards for Education 2005
- Equal Opportunity Act 1984 (WA)
- Health Act 1911 (WA)
- Poisons Act 1964 (WA)
- Poisons Regulations 1965 (WA)
- Privacy Act 1988
- School Education Act 1999 (WA)
- School Education Regulations 2000 (WA)
- State Records Act 2000 (WA)

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