



DAWSON PARK

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Strive to Achieve

Good Standing Policy



Good Standing Policy Rationale

At Dawson Park Primary School, the Good Standing Policy supports our vision to provide a welcoming, supportive and inspiring learning community for children that addresses the needs of all our students. Our commitment to build strong relationships, set high expectations, be proud, foster empathy and understanding, encourage effort to achieve success, be positive and constructive, and show respect for self and others are underpinning our Good Standing Policy.

The Good Standing Policy is a part of and works in conjunction with the whole school Behaviour Management Plan and has been shaped by the Western Australian Department of Education's 'Keeping our workplace safe and 'Let's take a stand together' initiatives. Good standing emphasises the importance of students taking responsibility for the choices they make, whether they be red or green choices, which impact on themselves and others. It also aims to provide regular acknowledgment and recognition for the majority of students who consistently behave and act according to the Dawson Park Primary School values.

What is Good Standing?

Good standing is a status that all students at Dawson Park Primary School are granted at the beginning of each term. Students with Good Standing are eligible to participate in school social and non-curricula activities.

To Maintain Good Standing students must:

- Follow Dawson Park Primary School's Student Code of Conduct
- Follow Dawson Park Primary School's Behaviour Policy
- Follow Dawson Park Primary School's Uniform Policy
- Follow Dawson Park Primary School's Attendance Policy

It is the responsibility of each student to maintain their Good Standing in order to be included in extracurricular activities. Students who lose their 'Good Standing' may lose the privilege to participate in various events throughout the school year.

These include, but are not limited to:

- Holding student leadership positions
- receiving merit certificates
- receiving classroom based rewards
- receiving end of term rewards
- participation in faction or interschool sporting events
- graduation events
- representing DPPS in any activities
- social based events such as discos, camps, school based incursions or excursions.



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Loss of Good Standing

A student's Good Standing Status will be withdrawn following consultation with the school leadership team and the classroom teacher for the following reasons:

- Three classroom withdrawals to buddy class. This must be entered into SIS and parents informed via a phone call and formal letter (Appendix A)
- Three office referrals. This will be entered into SIS by a member of the leadership team with parents/caregivers informed via a phone call and formal letter (Appendix A)
- Suspension
- If a student councillor, faction captain or other student body representative loses their Good Standing they will lose their right to represent their school for a period of five weeks.
- If a student has lost Good Standing three times throughout the term they will be ineligible to attend end of term rewards

Severe Clause:

- Students may lose the privilege to participate in activities where the safety of other students is a concern. Any form of violence will result in the loss of Good Standing

Parents and Caregivers of students **'at risk'** of losing their Good Standing will be contacted by the Classroom Teacher or a member of the Leadership Team. This will be through a phone call and then formally via a letter (Appendix B)

Regaining Good Standing:

All students will regain Good Standing after:

- a specified period of time – up to 15 days
- Completion of Good Standing redemption chart in conjunction with the Classroom Teacher and Specialist Subject Teachers
- A discussion with the School Leadership team

The Good Standing Policy is provided to maintain consistency in our decision making processes. It is important to note that these are guidelines and if :

- There are extenuating circumstances that have resulted in the negative behaviours
- There is a significant period of positive behaviour since the previous negative behaviour

Then these factors will be taken into account and any decision to withdraw or maintain Good Standing is at the discretion of the Principal.