



## CHILD SAFE STANDARD 7 Promoting Child Empowerment and Participation

### RATIONALE:

Child Safe Standard Seven requires schools to develop strategies to deliver appropriate education about:

- standards of behaviour for students attending the school;
- healthy and respectful relationships (including sexuality);
- resilience; and
- child abuse awareness and prevention.

### Implementation

Haddon Primary School will ensure the following policy and curriculum initiatives are in place and reviewed regularly to ensure Child Safe Standard Seven is fully implemented:

- Student Engagement Policy – That highlights the maintenance of a safe, supportive and inclusive school environment.
- Code of Conduct for all school users that highlights the expectations of behaviour and is based on Restorative Practice
- Curriculum programs and initiatives are implemented to support student development – eg:
  - Health and Human Relations for the Grade Five and Six students
  - Life Education Van visits bi-annually
  - Cyber Safety – Haddon Primary is an eSmart and Cyber Safe School
  - Respectful Relationships Program
- Values Education – The school values underpin how everyone in the school interacts. The Code of Conduct and Classroom Agreements are all based on the school You Can Do It values of: Persistence, Getting Along, Resilience, Organisation and Confidence but are underpinned by School Wide Positive Behaviour Support principles: We Learn, We Show Respect and We Are Safe; in our classrooms, our school grounds and in our community.
- Health Education programs are promoted and parents encouraged via the newsletter to send children to school with healthy foods.
- Regular training, retraining, induction of people who work with students to ensure they understand and meet the requirements of Child Safe Standards
- Encourage input from students to empower them and have input into improving their environment – eg:
  - Junior School Council
  - School Student Leadership Program



## COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Included in staff induction processes
- Included as annual reference in school newsletter
- Made available in hard copy from school administration upon request
- Discussed with students in the classroom
- Discussed at school council on a yearly basis

## FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- the Department's Policy and Advisory Library (PAL): [Duty of Care](#)
- the Department's Policy and Advisory Library (PAL): [Structured Workplace Learning](#)
- Haddon Primary School Website: <https://haddonps.vic.edu.au/our-school/policies>

## POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	August 2021
Approved by	School Council
Next scheduled review date	August 2025 and/or following a significant incident occurring.

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