



Good Standing Policy

Rationale

The major focus of students at school is their program of study. This policy will provide an avenue for students to achieve success by:

- Providing a positive learning environment;
- Improving student performance, creating life-long learners and developing the necessary skills to work and/or study post school; and
- Increasing student responsibility for their own learning and actions.

Aim

This policy aims to:

- Recognise and assist students to take responsibility for their learning, behaviour and general performance
- Clearly outline the minimum expectations for all Compulsory and Post-compulsory students

Policy Guidelines/Student Responsibilities

'Good Standing' is maintained and achieved by adhering to the attendance, assessment and engagement minimum expectations.

Note: Please see the Compulsory or Post-compulsory Education Contracts for further specific information

Attendance:

- 85% attendance or greater at the end of every term

Assessment:

(Refer to Maryborough State High School Assessment Policy)

- Unless an extension has been granted as per the appropriate Assessment Policy:
 - All assessments (assignments, presentations, practicals etc.) submitted on or by the due date
 - Drafts submitted – meeting faculty requirements for Senior Schooling/Post-compulsory.
- Attend all exams (unless a medical certificate is provided)
- No plagiarism or cheating

Behaviour:

- Behaviour meets expectations as per consistent compliance with:
 - Student Code of Conduct
 - School Phone Policy
 - School Truancy Policy
 - School IT Policy
 - School Uniform Policy

Opportunities for students on 'Good Standing':

'Good Standing' is the standard that all students must maintain at Maryborough State High School. Students of 'Good Standing' will be eligible to participate in a range of opportunities, which include:

- Excursions (non-compulsory for assessment)
- Structured work placement
- Leadership positions within the school
- Other school functions organised by the school
- Representing the school in sporting, cultural and other activities
- Reward days
- Student helpers for school activities
- **Graduation activities including Year 12 formal and final week**

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How is 'Good Standing' checked?

A student's 'Good Standing' will be checked by the Head of Year. Head of Year must maintain a 'Good Standing' register which identifies those students without 'Good Standing'.

However, before a student can represent the school or participate in one of the many opportunities listed the person organising it must check the 'Good Standing' register and where necessary confirm with the Head of Year.

Agreement

All students must sign Student Code of Conduct – which shows they understand all expectations of education at Maryborough State High School including the 'Good Standing' Policy.

Consequences for Policy Breach

Students who do not meet the minimum expectations of 'Good Standing':

- Will not be eligible to participate in the listed opportunities
- May be required to attend, with their parents, an interview with the Deputy Principal and Head of Year

Final decisions will be made at the discretion of the Principal and/or Deputy Principal.

General time frames:

The time frames attached to each breach of 'Good Standing' are as follows:

1 st offence	2 weeks
2 nd offence (or suspension)	4 weeks
3 rd offence	10 weeks
4 th offence	20 weeks
5 th offence	40 weeks (Post-compulsory); Intervention Meeting (Compulsory)
6 th offence	Permanent (Post-compulsory)

Please note:

- These time frames do not include school or public holidays.
- These are guides only and adjustments can be made at the school's discretion.
- Loss of Good Standing in **Compulsory** (Years 7 - 10) will reset at the start of each school year.
- **Post-compulsory** (Year 11 and 12) is a continuous period of either two or three years and Good Standing does not reset each year for example, a breach of Good Standing from Year 11 will still count as a breach in Year 12.

Flow Chart – Loss of 'Good Standing'

