



Mackillop College

Policy: Curriculum

Introduction

Our curriculum involves the learning experiences intended to achieve the educational aims. It attempts to encompass everything that happens in a school and is in that sense inextricably linked with pastoral care of students and staff.

The curriculum is all the learning opportunities offered and experiences encountered by learners. It expresses an educative vision of the learning community.

Our curriculum is designed to engage students in the contemporary world leading students to develop deep understandings about themselves, others and the wider community.

Principles

Curriculum at MacKillop College is designed to:

- be faithful to the mission, traditions and values of the Catholic Church
- engender the charism of Saint Mary of the Cross
- reflect what is valued and important through specific knowledge, skills and understandings
- provide an inclusive curriculum that attempts to ensure equity, opportunity and accessibility for all

Objectives

MacKillop College is committed to:

- delivering the College's curriculum in all its capacity
- maintaining a professional knowledge and understanding of contemporary curriculum
- reviewing and developing curriculum
- engaging in a whole school approach
- supporting the educational goals of the College
- operating within the CEOM, state and federal guidelines and expectations when delivering the intended curriculum

Implementation

i) Principal commitment

The Principal is responsible for ensuring that:

- the objectives of this policy are integrated into practice
- opportunities exist for effective learning and teaching to take place
- acceptable educational standards are maintained
- the curriculum enables the school to meet its educational goals
- an adequate budget is provided to allow delivery of the comprehensive curriculum that meets the educational goals of MacKillop College
- qualified staff who have a commitment to teaching and learning are appointed

ii) Staff Commitment

All staff will be responsible for:

- delivering their assigned curriculum
- engaging in relevant, purposeful professional development
- participating in the ongoing review and development of the curriculum
- developing and maintaining high standards of teaching
- ensuring documentation of our courses of study are complete and current

Policy last reviewed

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Signature

Rory Kennedy
(Principal)

Date: dd/mm/yyyy