



# PROMOTION AND GRADUATION POLICY

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## RATIONALE

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Bunbury Catholic College exists to further the mission of the Church in providing a Catholic education in the Marist and Mercy traditions to all students insofar as this is possible.

Through quality teaching and learning in an environment enlivened by Christ's spirit of love, justice and freedom, Bunbury Catholic College strives to empower students to achieve their potential, as our gift to God.

## PRINCIPLES

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1. Bunbury Catholic College recognises the uniqueness of each student.
2. Each student is provided with opportunities to develop spiritually, academically, physically, socially and emotionally.
3. As a member of the College community each student has a responsibility to cooperate with teachers and fellow students to assist in establishing a positive learning environment.
4. Each student will be held accountable for his/her work ethic and behaviour.

## PROCEDURES

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The Promotion and Graduation Policy of the College makes each student accountable for meeting our faith, academic, citizenship and extra-curricular dimensions of promotion/graduation.

More specifically, the following is expected of each student:

- Faith – a mature and positive involvement in Religious Education classes, involvement and attendance at liturgies, as prepared by class and whole school liturgies, completion of Christian Service Learning program. Attendance at Year Group Retreat programs, especially the Year 12 Retreat.
- Academic – completion of all academic programs/subjects for the designated academic year, completion of all set work per subject area, a conscientious application to study at school and at home, while striving to achieve excellence in personal academic endeavours.
- Citizenship – to show respect to staff and other students; to demonstrate care and consideration for others; good behaviour and language at school and in public; high standards in personal grooming/ presentation; and a high standard in punctuality.
- Attendance – must maintain an attendance record of 90% or above, unless supported by medical documentation.

- Extra/Co- curricular – attendance and involvement in school and community activities and community service. This includes attendance at College camps and other formal excursions/incursions.

**For students in Years 8 to 11**, failure to fulfil the above requirements will result in promotion to the following year level being reviewed. At the end of each year, students who have not met College expectations will attend a promotions panel to discuss their future at the College.

Unless the student is able to present a reasonable case for promotion, he/she will not be promoted. Otherwise conditional promotion may occur. This will only ever apply in one instance. Should promotion to the next year level be granted, subsequent/negotiated efforts must be sustained.

**For students in Year 12**, failure to meet College/graduation expectations, will mean that the student will not receive a Bunbury Catholic College graduation certificate or reference and he/she will be excluded from all celebrations of the end of Year Twelve.

**Staff involvement:** throughout the year Homeroom and Subject teachers, Heads of Year and Heads of Learning Areas will work with students to ensure they are able to comply with this policy; parents will be informed when their child is not meeting expectations and may be involved in strategies to assist their child in positively changing their application and behaviour.

For all students of concern, staff members must ensure that both a record of strategies employed and a record of contact with parents, are maintained.