# **Good Standing Guidelines**



#### 1. Overview

Mazenod College is committed to supporting student behaviour to effectively fulfill their spiritual, social, physical, intellectual, and emotional development. The College seeks to create cultures of safety and wellbeing, where students can flourish in a positive school environment focused on learning and development. Students learn best when they feel safely supported and belong in a culture of mutually accountable respectful relationships.

At Mazenod College we believe that part of a positive approach to behaviour support is setting clear standards so that students and their parents know and understand what is expected of them. The 'Good Standing Guidelines' focuses on the importance of students accepting responsibility for their choices which impacts on themselves and others.

## 2. Scope

This guideline applies to all Mazenod students while on College property or during a College organised event. This document works in conjunction with the *College Behaviour Policy*, *Student Code of Conduct*, and other behaviour and academic support policies.

### 3. Procedure

Each student is automatically considered in good standing though this status can be altered in relation to behaviour in and outside the classroom and when representing the College. The College will seek to engage in precursor interventions to support behaviour prior to application of the Good Standing Guidelines.

It is important to note that the following factors will be considered when determining Good Standing:

- extenuating circumstances that have resulted in the unacceptable behaviour
- periods of positive behaviour since the previous unacceptable behaviour

#### **Loss of Good Standing**

Loss of good standing results in issues relating but not limited to ongoing issues relating to:

- Academic application or preparedness;
- Issues with attendance, including truancy and lateness;
- · Repeated or significant breaches in behaviour;
- Suspensions;
- Uniform, grooming and personal appearance;
- Bringing the College into disrepute;
- ICT misuse; and
- Stage 3 or above breaches of the Behaviour Policy

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Privileges lost may include all activities in the following extra-curricular areas:

- Social events (e.g. School Ball, Year Socials);
- College club events (e.g. Solar Car Club, Chess Club);
- College sporting club representation (e.g. ACC, School Carnivals);
- Representation in the Arts, and participation in productions;
- House activities; and
- Other activities (e.g. Valedictory Dinner, non-compulsory subject-based events),

Loss of Good Standing will be recommended by the Head of Learning Area (HOLA) or Head of Year (HOY) and determined through consultation with a member of the College Leadership Team (CLT).

The HOLA or HOY will investigate, including consulting with the student and caregiver, and consult with the CLT on their recommendation before issuing a loss of Good Standing.

The loss of privileges for the student will be effective from the meeting date until the HOY or HOLA reinstates it. The HOY will review the status of good standing upon the completion of the designated requirements, this may include the completion of adequate good standing restoration activities.

Good standing status will be monitored and communicated to the family at the time of loss. The loss of Good Standing will be noted in the student record via SEQTA.

Suspension may result in a loss of good standing. This would include a subsequent probation period before good standing is reinstated where other behaviour support strategies are also used.

The period for loss of good standing can extend to five weeks and will be reviewed by the HOY or HOLA. Students may be requested to complete reflections, reports, or other behaviour support strategies deemed appropriate.

The Principal retains the authority to intervene in any aspect of this process on a case-by-case situation. Appeals to the loss of Good Standing should be made in writing to the Deputy Principal of Students.

### 4. Co-Curricular Activities

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Co-curricular activities are learning experiences related directly to a program of study which take place outside of the classroom. These activities are inclusive of all students studying a particular course and their attendance is required so they will not be impacted by loss of Good Standing unless communicated by the HOLA or CLT.

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