Rationale

This Student Behaviour Management P olicy supports learning, pastoral care and student wellbeing initiatives at Our Lady of Mercy College (OLMC) . It is premised on the belief that student learning and wellbeing are best achieved within an

x respond to challenging student behaviour , including at school activit ies away from the College grounds or while travelling to or from the College .

The policy applies to all members of the College community – students, staff and parents – with the term 'parents' inclusive of guardians or carers who have parental responsibility for a student. It is t

- community contribute to fostering life -affirm ing relationships that recognise and support the inherent dignity of each person.
- x The College strives to provide an inclusive education which values diversity and celebrates difference. Diversity is enacted through a pedagogy of inclusion and a commitment to uphold the righT0tcig Dive6h vtlersit5l3

| orders or parenting | |
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<u>Targeted supports</u> for some students may include:

- x understanding the student's background and needs
- x ensuring a clear understanding of expectations by both students and teachers
- x providing consistent school and classroom environments
- x scaffolding the student's learning program
- x data collection and documentation of incidents to inform decision making
- x creating a Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) a Behaviour Support Plan (BSP) or an

Serious Behaviour Breaches and Major Disciplinary Sanctions

A 'serious behaviour breach' at OLMC is understood generally as activities or behaviours of a student which:

x are offensive, or dangerous, to the physical or emotional health of any student or

staff

- x If a student is placed in a separate room as a means of seclusion, staff will maintain appropria te supervision of the student.
- x The least restrictive form of restraint/seclusion will be used for the minimum time possible.
- x The restraint/seclusion will cease as soon as the immediate danger for the student or others is averted.
- x Staff involved in an inc ident of restraint or seclusion will immediately notify the principal and provide for the immediate care and safety or those concerned.
- x The student's parents will be contacted. A post -incident evaluation and report will be completed .

Assessing and Mitiga ting Health and Safety Risks

To assist in the discharge of regulated health and safety responsibilities, the College will adhere to an Occupational Health & Safety Program through which potential safety hazards are identified and analysed in terms of the likelihood of an event occurring, and risk treatments are applied in order to prevent and/or manage the potential con sequences if the event was to occur.

Related Policies and Guidelines

MEL_OLMC Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy

MEL_OLMC Child Safety and Wellbeing Procedures

OLMC Child Safe Policy - Child Friendly Version

Child Safety Student Rights and Responsibilities Policy

Mercy Education Ltd & OLMC Code of Conduct for Staff and Volunteers

Mercy Education Ltd & OLMC Parent Code of Conduct

Complaints Resolution Policy

Counselling Services Policy

Occupational Health and Safety Policy

Respectful Relati onships: Anti Bullying Policy

Student Drug Use: Intervention and Management Policy

Student Wellbeing Policy Student Attendance Policy

Student Responsible Use Digital Technologies, Devices and Social Media

Uniform Expectations - Guidelines

OLMC Suspension, Negoti at ed Transfer and Expulsion Policy

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