



School Registration

Statement of Democratic Principles Policy and Procedures

Introduction

The **School's** programs and teaching must be consistent with the principles of Australian democracy.

Purpose and Objectives

The purpose of this Policy and its Procedures is to provide a statement of our commitment to democratic principles under the Victorian Registration Standards (sch 4 cl 1 and sch 8 cl 1 ETR Regs).

Scope

This Policy and its Procedures apply to all staff, volunteers and contractors at the **School**.

Responsibilities

There are no specific roles or responsibilities associated with this Policy.

Policy

Statement of Democratic Principles

Korowa Anglican Girls' School is committed to the principles of a liberal democracy.

- We believe in an accountable, democratically elected government.

- We respect and observe the rule of law and believe that no person is above the law.
- We believe in equal rights for all before the law, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, sexuality, gender or other attributes.
- We believe not only in the freedom of religion, but also the need to practise tolerance and understanding of others' beliefs.
- We believe in the value of freedom of speech and freedom of association, but also acknowledge that we have the responsibility not to abuse this freedom.
- We believe in the values of openness and tolerance, and value and respect all members of the **School** community regardless of background.

Procedures

There are no specific procedures associated with this Policy.

Implementation

This Statement of Democratic Principles is communicated to staff, students, parents and guardians and the **School** community.

This Statement is published:

- in the staff policy portal
- in the [student handbook](#)
- in the Korowa prospectus
- in the Korowa annual report
- on the [Korowa website](#)

Breach of this Policy and Procedures

This section is not applicable to this Policy.

Definitions

There are no applicable definitions for this Policy.

Source of Obligation

The Victorian Registration Standards (sch 4 cl 1 and sch 8 cl 1 ETR Regs) require that the programs of, and teaching at, the **School** must support and promote the principles and practice of Australian democracy, including a commitment to elected government, the rule of law, equal rights for all before the law, freedom of religion, freedom of speech and association, and the values of openness and tolerance.

This requirement is not intended to affect the rights accorded to, or the compliance with any obligation imposed on, the **School** under the enactment of the State or of the Commonwealth.

Related Policies and Procedures

There are no related policies applicable to this Policy.

Related Documents

There are no related documents applicable to this Policy.

References

There are no applicable references for this Policy.

Policy Administration

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