



Truancy Policy

Commencement	January 2022	Review	June 2022
Year Levels	Year 5 – Year 12		
Related Policies and Information			
Education (General Provisions) Act 2006: https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/view/pdf/2007-11-02/act-2006-039			
Safe, Supportive and Disciplined School Environment: http://ppr.det.qld.gov.au/education/learning/Procedure%20Attachments/Safe,%20Supportive%20and%20Disciplined%20School%20Environment/safe-supportive-disciplined-school-environment.pdf			

Rationale

There are three main reasons that necessitate this policy:

- A) When a student is not in class they are not learning.
- B) When a student is not where they should be, this becomes a significant safety concern for the student.
- C) Students who truant place an unacceptable strain on human resources when they are not where they should be. Often there will be several adults looking for the student(s) if they have not presented to their scheduled class.

Implementation of Policy

1. Truancy is defined as a student not attending their scheduled class and they do not have permission to be in another location on or off school grounds while in the care of Kuranda District State College staff during school hours.
2. A student is required to attend the scheduled class they are enrolled in.
3. A student must have permission from College staff to be in an alternative location to their usually scheduled class or activity.

Procedures for Non-compliance

4. A student will be redirected to class in every instance that they are not in the correct location.
 - 4.1 A student's refusal to follow reasonable instruction given to them by College staff that see them continue to truant a lesson will result in a formal lunch detention and this will be discussed with the student's parent or carer.
 - 4.2 Students who truant class and who have left school grounds (or who are located in the surrounding agricultural or forest areas) will be given an after-school detention and this will be discussed with the student's parent or carer.
5. All truancy violations and subsequent detentions will be recorded in IDAttend.
6. When a student has received two warnings, on the third occasion of truanting from a class, the student may receive a Student Disciplinary Absence (SDA).
7. Students in Year 11 & 12 are in the post-compulsory phase of schooling. Truancy amongst Year 11 & 12 students constitutes a failure to engage with the Senior Phase of learning and may put students at risk of Cancellation of Enrolment (COE).

College Principal
Date:

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