

KAMBALDA WEST DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

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Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices

Dear Parents/Carers.

I have had growing concerns over the past term and a half regarding some students use of mobile phones and electronic devices at school, both in the class and the playground.

The devices and phones are causing a disruption to the learning environment and are stopping some children from learning.

The Good Standing Policy that was sent to parents two weeks ago has been altered to include a clause about phones and other devices. It is attached over leaf for your information. Today we will speak to the children about this change to explain the reasons and potential consequences associated.

I encourage children to leave their devices at home but I do understand that some children may need a phone for communication before and after school, however during the school day all children will be expected to hand their phones into the office. They will be signed in and out by the child. The phones will be stored in a locked cupboard in the office.

There is no need for children to use a mobile phone throughout the school day and all children will be able to contact their parents if they are sick or need collecting. This contact can be made through the front office and teachers will send children to the office when needed.

Some secondary children use their phones to listen to music during class, this will no longer be acceptable and all devices are to be left at home or signed in.

All children will be reminded by teachers daily, for the rest of this term, to sign their devices in. If your child forgets there will be reminders, however if a phone is not signed in at the office parents will be called to collect the phone. The phone will remain in the school safe until a parent or guardian collects the phone.

I thank parents for their understanding and support in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss this change. Feedback is always welcomed.

Kind regards

Candice Brown Principal 6th September 2019

KWDHS Good Standing

The Kambalda West District High School Good Standing policy sets the expectations for attendance and punctuality, engagement and participation as well as behaviour. The intention of Good Standing at Kambalda West District High School is to educate and reward our students who are supportive and cooperative in maintaining high standards of behaviour, dress, attendance and achievement.

To maintain Good Standing children are to

- Follow the Kambalda West Code of Conduct
- Follow the attendance expectations
- Consistently aim for REACH Values
- Follow the Dress Code

Reason	Level of Good Standing	How to regain	Action
Dress Code	Third warning and future warnings	10 school days to rectify problem and show appropriate dress code	Parent phone/email contact Record on Integris
Lateness	Third warning and future warnings	Restorative meeting with teacher dealt with on an individual basis. Administration referral and advice	Parent phone/email contact Record on Integris
Attendance	Case Management with Administration	Clearance of unexplained absences Improved attendance Good attendance prior to an event	SMS contact Parent letter Parent interview Record on Integris Refer to Attendance Plan
Unacceptable behaviour	Case Management with Administration	Restorative meeting with teacher dealt with on an individual basis. Administration referral and advice	Parent phone/email contact Record on Integris Refer to Code of Conduct
Mobile phones and other electronic devices	Case Management with Administration	Restorative meeting with Administration dealt with on an individual basis	Parent phone/email contact Record on Integris
Suspension	All occasions	Restorative meeting with Administration dealt with on an individual basis	Parent phone contact Parent/student interview Record on Integris Student IBP on return

All students will be presumed to have Good Standing. Parents and Care givers of students 'at risk' of losing their Good Standing will be contacted by the Administration team. This will be through a phone call and then on loss of Good Standing formally via letter.

Good Standing is provided to maintain consistency in decision making processes. It is important to note that these are guidelines and if:-

- 1. There are extenuating circumstances that have resulted in the negative behaviours
- 2. A student has specials needs and / or;
- 3. There is a significant period of positive behaviour since the previous negative behaviour

Then, these factors will be taken into account and any decision to withdraw or maintain Good Standing will be at the discretion of the Principal.