



SCHOOL POLICY: ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION ON SCHOOL PROPERTY AND AT COLLEGE RELATED ACTIVITIES

Rationale

The College's overarching aim is to provide for its students a safe and caring environment, one in which issues and concerns about drugs are able to be discussed in a supportive and informed manner by all members of the community.

It is expected that parents and school staff will at all times be conscious of their obligation to act as good role models for the students both in conversation and behaviour. They will always act in accordance with the attitudes and expectations expressed in this policy.

Values

The Vision Statement for Emmaus seeks to build and sustain *excellence in learning within a contemporary Christian Community*. In living out that vision, we are called to recognise and to celebrate the uniqueness and innate dignity of each individual. All involved in the ministry of the college acknowledge that we:

- share life as a community and welcome all who come to join us
- promote excellence and inclusiveness in Christian Education
- provide a place where students live, learn and celebrate in a holistic educational experience
- govern in a manner consistent with Christian ethos and traditions
- promote positive partnerships within and beyond the school community
- empower and encourage involvement and contribution by individuals and groups in all school endeavours
- teach the value of relationships and enhance skills in this area

Policy Statement

The provision and consumption of alcohol (medium strength) at College related functions and events are permissible under certain conditions:

- a) where students are present and under the responsibility of their parents, alcohol may be provided by parents for their own consumption e.g. picnics, barbeques;
- b) at working bees alcohol may be provided at the completion of the activity;
- c) where students are present at college events, alcohol may be sold, subject to the *Liquor Licensing & Provisions Act*.
- d) Alcohol consumption for staff is covered by the BCE Code of Conduct.