



Extra-Curricular Participation Policy

VISION: *Clare High School is a learning community that inspires, supports and challenges every young person to engage in achieving success, fostering education, social development and wellbeing.*

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Through involvement in Extra-curricular activities the Clare High School Values are clearly portrayed and embedded.

RATIONALE:

CHS recognises the social and wellbeing benefits of student involvement in a range of extra-curricular programs. Extra-curricular activities are typically separate from academic courses. They do not attract academic credit, may take place outside of school or after regular school hours, and they may be administered by outside organisations.

These extra-curricular activities build on our school culture and values and enhance student wellbeing. School life is enriched through the many and varied student experiences offered, helping to build a stronger sense of self-worth and connection to the community with improved levels of confidence. Students are strongly encouraged to engage in extra-curricular options available. Staff, students and student families realise that participation in any extra-curricular activity is a privilege which is earned through a positive attitude and effort at School, in line with our School Values.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA IS AS FOLLOWS:

Students may participate in as many extra-curricular activities as they choose providing they meet the following guidelines;

- Are engaged positively in all subjects, have no outstanding assignments or work overdue and subject teachers believe students are understanding of work / task commitments and expectations.
- Student 'total approved' attendance is 85% or above.
- Extra-curricular activity sheet is completed and signed by the student's Subject teachers and the Activity Teacher.

INELIGIBILITY TO REPRESENT CLARE HIGH SCHOOL IN EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IS AS FOLLOWS:

- If a student has been suspended internally they are ineligible for selection / participation in extra-curricular activities for the following 2 weeks dating back from the day of the suspension.
- If a student has been suspended externally they are ineligible for selection / participation in extra-curricular activities for 5 weeks dating back to the first day of suspension.
- If students did not meet financial commitments required from the previous extra-curricular activity, they are ineligible to be selected in any further activities until a 'commitment to pay' advice is signed and returned to the Finance Officer OR payment in full has occurred.
- All subject teachers of the student wishing to participate will consider the student's academic progress and have the ability to withdraw the student in consultation with the Year Level Coordinators.
- If a Year Level Coordinator determines any evidenced reason for a student not to participate in the extra-curricular activity the student will become ineligible and withdrawn.

STUDENT BEHAVIOUR WHILST PARTICIPATING IN EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY:

- It is expected students will adhere to Clare High School values and behaviour expectations when involved in an extra-curricular activity. Failure to do so will prevent a student from nominating or being selected in an extra-curricular activity for a school terms length (10 weeks).
- If a student has been excluded they are prohibited from any engagement in extra-curricular activities whilst serving the exclusion.

CLARE HIGH SCHOOL CARNIVALS, SAPSASA, KNOCKOUT SPORT, LOWER NORTH & ADELAIDE CARNIVALS AND LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

- Are to be inclusive of all Clare High School students.
- The best athletes will be chosen to represent Clare High School and students will represent their age group. Priority will be given to Year 11 and 12 students in open competitions. If teams are unable to be filled in Open competitions younger students may be considered for selection.
- In selecting the Interschool Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Carnivals the best athletes will be determined by using the results from the Clare High School Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Carnivals events.



- When competing with different implement weights (Discuss, Javelin and Shotput) a weights formula will be applied to calculate comparative results.
- Participation in Clare High School Knockout Teams is voluntary. If a cost to participate is required then payment is by user pay system. To be organised by the activity manager and in negotiation with the Business Manager.
- Participation in all teams must be approved by Clare High School staff and students must meet guidelines as set out in the extra-curricular policy.
- If a student withdraws late without suitable communication and/or reason from the selected team, they will be suspended from participating in future school representative teams for the length of a school term (10 weeks) as determined by the School Sport Coordinator.

**CLARE HIGH SCHOOL WANTS TO PROMOTE A CULTURE OF INCLUSION AND SHARED SUCCESS WITH
MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION**

The school's Leadership Team and Governing Council last ratified this policy in...

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