



COOMERA
ANGLICAN
COLLEGE

**PRIMARY SPORT
INFORMATION
HANDBOOK 2019**



INTRODUCTION

The purpose of our sports programme can be linked to the Purpose Statement for Coomera Anglican College:

Our Purpose: “Inspire excellence in teaching, learning, service and faith”

With a holistic educational approach, our cocurricular programmes aim to offer the students of our College a range of opportunities that will help them develop the skills and attitudes they need to reach their full potential.

Our major goals are centred on the following:

- Participation for both competition and enjoyment
- Maintaining an active lifestyle
- Developing a lifetime commitment to sport and recreation
- Building self-esteem and camaraderie
- Providing meaningful and challenging experiences
- Developing stronger relationships with our students, and
- Promoting College and House spirit.

This Sports Handbook has been designed to assist parents and students by providing information regarding the general procedures and expectations of sport at this College on a weekly basis. I hope many questions you might have about the programmes we offer are clarified by this handbook.

If you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the College.

Yours sincerely



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SPORTING PROGRAMME

The College's sporting programme is divided into three sections:

1. The Associated Private Schools (APS) Competition.
2. House Competition
3. Preparatory–Year 3 Sport

In addition to the House and APS system the College facilitates academies in:

- Basketball
- Football
- Netball

The College sporting programme is also supported by the Athlete Development Programme.

1. THE ASSOCIATED PRIVATE SCHOOLS (APS) COMPETITION

All Primary students in Years 4-6 at Coomera Anglican College participate in regular sporting fixtures within the Associated Private Schools (APS) Competition. The Association includes eight independent schools located on the Gold Coast. The member schools of the APS include:

- A B Paterson College
- All Saints Anglican School
- Coomera Anglican College
- Emmanuel College
- Kings Christian College
- Somerset College
- St Stephen's College
- Trinity Lutheran College

The APS sporting programme consists of:

- (1) Swimming Carnival (Term 1)
- (2) Cross Country Carnival (Term 1)
- (3) Sports Season 1 (Term 1/2)
- (4) Athletics Carnival (Term 3)
- (5) Sports Season 2 (Term 4)

SPORT SEASONS 1 AND 2 COMPETITION DETAILS:

- When:** Thursday Afternoon Week 8 Term 1 and Term 2 and 4
Time: 12.50pm – 3.00pm
Venues: Home and Away and other Gold Coast venues
Transport: Students are transported to and from each venue by bus

Coomera Anglican College is also a member of the Queensland Primary Schools Sports Association and participates in competition organised by the Gold Coast North Primary Schools Association.

Throughout the year students have the opportunity to gain selection in the **Hinterland District** Team in various team sports and if successful, the South Coast Regional Team. Higher representative honours are then available to students who have the necessary talent and commitment. **Please refer to dates at the back of this booklet.**

APS SPORTS:

SPORTS SEASON 1

Hockey
Netball (females only)
Rugby (males only)
Football
Tennis
Volleyball

SPORTS SEASON 2

Touch
Basketball
Tee Ball/Softball (females only)
Diamond Cricket/Cricket (males only)
AFL

Students will be allocated a sport based upon their preferences and where necessary, trials will be held to determine final team selections. Some students may have to play in another sport other than their first preference. Please be aware some of the sports listed above require specific uniforms (see Team Uniforms).

APS Code of Ethics for Competitive Sport – “In the Right Spirit”

Participants

The Heads and Staff of the Associated Private Schools require all participants in their sporting competitions to abide by the following conventions:

- Remember that sport is recreational and something to be enjoyed
- Treat the members of the opposing team and your own team mates with courtesy and respect
- Abide by the decisions of the presiding referee/ umpire at all times and in all circumstances
- Follow the instructions of your coach
- Treat your coaches and the coaches of the opposing team with courtesy and respect
- Refrain from using bad language at all times
- Turn up for the game promptly, with the right uniform and the right equipment
- Avoid foul play at all costs
- Be humble in victory and dignified in defeat
- Shake the hands of the opposing team at the conclusion of the match
- Take all necessary steps to ensure your own personal safety whilst competing in sport
- Encourage your team mates as much as you can
- Represent your School with pride

Coaches

The Heads and Staff of the Associated Private Schools require all coaches involved in their sporting competitions to abide by the following conventions:

- Remember that sport is recreational and something to be enjoyed
- Introduce yourself to the opposing coach before the game and thank them at the conclusion of the contest
- Present yourself for all games appropriately attired
- Treat the referee/umpire with respect and courtesy at all times and in all circumstances
- Model exemplary approaches to sport, take immediate disciplinary action for breaches of behaviour and refer such breaches to the appropriate Director of Sport
- Attend APS sporting in-service days regularly
- Take all necessary steps to ensure the safety of all involved with the game (participants, referees and spectators)
- Ensure all venues are compliant with current regulations
- Discipline appropriately any players who fail to conform to expected standards of behaviour and refer to the relevant Director of Sport
- Terminating the game can be considered should spectators or parents breach APS guidelines
- If concerns arise with an opposing team, the matter should be referred to the opposing team’s Principal for resolution.

- **Parents**

The Heads and Staff of the Associated Private Schools require all spectators at their sporting competitions to abide by the following conventions:

- Remember that sport is recreational and something to be enjoyed
- Model exemplary approaches to sport in your behaviour
- Be supportive of the decisions of the presiding referee/ umpire at all times and in all circumstances
- Be supportive of and encouraging to the players of both teams
- Spectate at a safe distance from the field of play
- Ensure games are concluded and coaches have dismissed students before taking a student home

2. HOUSE COMPETITION

The House Competition at Coomera Anglican College is an integral component of the sporting programme. It provides each House with an avenue to develop House spirit and pride and instils a sense of camaraderie amongst its members.

Coomera Anglican College operates a four House structure from Prep to Year 12. The four houses are:



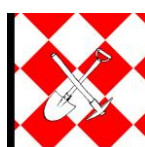
GIBBS: Mind and Vision



SMITH: Heart and Determination



MORRIS: Soul and Mastery



LANE: Strength and Perseverance

The foundation of this competition is the three major Inter-House competitions held annually. They are:

- Inter-House Swimming Carnival
- Inter-House Cross Country Carnival
- Inter-House Athletics Carnival

A champion House trophy is awarded annually for the winning House in each of these major events in the Years 4-6 competitions.

The College House Carnivals are an opportunity for students to gain selection to represent Coomera Anglican College at the APS Carnivals. The APS carnival is also a Hinterland Trial for students to gain selection into the Hinterland Team.

Carnival and Squad training is available for some sports in the major APS and Inter-House Carnivals.

Age Champions: All competition divisions per age group are eligible to compete for Age Champion. Points are awarded on overall times and distances regardless of division.

3. PREPARATORY–YEAR 3 SPORT

Students in Years Preparatory-Year 3 also have the opportunity to participate in an organised sporting programme. However, the main goal of this programme focuses on participation and enjoyment rather than competition.

Highlights for the Preparatory-Year 3 sporting programme include:

- Participation in the House Cross Country Carnival (Term 1)
- Year 3 participate in the House Athletics Carnival (Term 2) (with Yr. 4, 5, 6)
- Preparatory-Year 2 Athletics Day (Term 3)
- Preparatory-Year 3 Swimming Carnival (Term 4)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

REPRESENTATIVE SPORTS

Students have the opportunity to represent the College at a higher level in all the sports mentioned previously, as well as additional sports listed in the back of this booklet.

While the College does not offer all sports, many are offered at a competitive level, while representing the College and the Hinterland District Sports Association and the South Coast Region, or State or National Team. To find out more about such opportunities, refer to the back of this booklet or contact the Head of Sport and Cocurricular Activities at the College. Mr Anthony Hall: ahall@cac.qld.edu.au.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS CUP - NETBALL

The Primary Schools Cup is a Netball Queensland initiative open to all primary schools in Queensland for students in years four to six. The two-day event provides an opportunity for girls and boys to come together and experience competitive netball in a fun and safe environment, with an overall state champion crowned at the end of the tournament.

GT Trophy

The Gretel Tippett Trophy is a one day netball competition for invited schools across the Gold Coast and New South Wales. Coomera Anglican College will enter one team per year level. This team will consist of the APS year 4, 5, 6 'A' Teams and any invited players.

DNK Cup

The Daley Norton – Knight Rugby Cup is a one day netball competition for invited schools across the Gold Coast and New South Wales. Coomera Anglican College will enter one team per year level. This team will consist of the APS year 4, 5, 6 'A' Teams and any invited players.

APS Futsal

Coomera Anglican College will enter a 4A/B, 5A/B, 6A/B boys and girls teams. These teams will consist of APS 'A' Soccer teams and some invited 'B' team members. Teams will be entered in as an A and B team based on season performances.

SPORT TRAINING

A condition of the APS sports competition is that all Colleges provide training for their teams in both Winter and Summer Competitions. As a result, training for APS competition is **compulsory for all students**. Training details are as follows:

PRIMARY TRAINING DAY (YEARS 4-6)

Day:	Tuesday afternoon
Time:	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Frequency:	Term 1: Weeks 8 and 9 Term 2: Weeks 2 to 7(no training week 5, 21 May) Term 3: No afternoon training Term 4: Weeks 1 to 8

With the exception of tennis (Hope Island Tennis Centre, TBC), all training is conducted on campus.

Parents and students are **strongly encouraged** to avoid making appointments for their children on a Tuesday afternoon. It is also requested that students who catch public transport home on Tuesday will need to make alternative arrangement on this day. Students with transport problems are asked to discuss this situation with their coach or Class Teacher so alternative arrangements can be made.

Students train in Term 1 and 3 for their respective sports. Training is conducted between 1.45pm and 3.00pm on Thursday afternoons. **Tennis participants will train at Hope Island Tennis Centre, all other students train on the College campus.**

STUDENTS ABSENT FROM TRAINING

Only in very special circumstances are students exempt from attending after school training, and this rare exemption is only achieved through a formal written request for consideration of the individual's unique or unusual circumstances. The request should be directed to the Head of Primary, Mrs Lisa Craft, lcraft@cac.qld.edu.au.

WET WEATHER/CANCELLATION

Coomera Anglican College policy is as follows:

Parents will be informed via email or Facebook if sport training is cancelled due to inclement weather. Students who are unable to be picked up will be supervised at the Rod Lane Sports Centre.

The decision whether sport training will proceed or not, is to be made by the Primary Sports and Activities Coordinator in consultation with the Head of Primary. Students and individual coaching staff cannot make the decision for their respective team.

APS SPORT CANCELLATION

In the event that APS sport is cancelled on a particular Thursday afternoon, it is most likely that an academic timetable will follow on that occasion. Students are required to remain at College and be fully prepared for classroom lessons.

SPORTING FACILITIES

Coomera Anglican College has currently available the following facilities:

- Indoor multi-purpose courts
- 25m Swimming pool
- Volleyball courts
- Soccer/Rugby/AFL/Hockey fields
- Cricket practice nets
- Football ovals
- Softball pitches
- Indoor multi-purpose courts
- High Performance Centre
- Cardio Room
- Athletics Track
- Tennis court

The College also makes use of surrounding sporting field for APS sport competition and House competition. Plans are underway to expand our current facilities.

UNIFORMS

The way in which the sports uniform is worn is a powerful, visual reminder of how students view themselves and the College. To ensure that students' uniform always look neat and well presented, the following uniforms are required to be observed.

Students are permitted to wear the College Sports uniform to and from the College on Thursdays only, during terms 1 and 3. During competition weeks students are permitted to wear their chosen sport's uniform to and from the College. Singlet type vest/jerseys are to be worn under the College sports shirt or changed into at the venue.

TEAM UNIFORMS – ALL UNIFORMS ARE COMPULSORY

Athletics	Athletics Top and Sports Shorts/CAC Athletic Pants
Basketball	PE Shirt and Sports Shorts
Cricket	PE Shirt and Shorts
Cross Country	Athletics Top and Sports Shorts/CAC Athletic Pants
House Competition	House Polo Shirt and Sports Shorts
Hockey	Rugby Socks – PE Shirt and Shorts Shin and Ankle Guards (compulsory) Mouth Guard (compulsory)
Netball	CAC Netball Dress, black or blue bike pants (must not be seen)
Rugby (compulsory uniform)	College Navy Blue Rugby top Navy Blue Rugby shorts Navy Blue Rugby socks Mouth Guard (compulsory)
Soccer	Rugby Socks College Soccer Shirt and College Soccer Shorts Shin Guards (compulsory) Mouth Guard (Optional)
Softball	PE Shirt and Shorts
Swimming	Coomera Anglican College Swimsuit (Compulsory) Swimming Cap (Supplied to APS Team)
Tennis	PE Shirt and Shorts
Touch	PE Shirt and Shorts
Volleyball	PE Shirt and Shorts
AFL	College supplied jersey (returnable) PE Shorts Mouthguard (compulsory)

Specialised shoes for sports (eg. Rugby, Touch Football) – students may change into these shoes prior to their game. Normal HPE shoes must be worn to and from venue. No studs or tags are allowed to be worn on buses.

ACADEMIES

BASKETBALL ACADEMY

The Coomera Anglican Basketball Academy provides students from Years 4 to 12 with the opportunity to participate in a developmental Basketball programme and to provide students with identified basketball talent with additional coaching to enable them to progress to and compete at an elite level.

Potential applicants are required to complete the on-line application form located at:
<https://www.cac.qld.edu.au/programme/specialised-sport-programmes/basketball-academy>

FOOTBALL ACADEMY

The Coomera Anglican College Football Academy (Incorporating Futsal) aims to provide students from Years 4 to 12 with the opportunity to participate in a developmental football programme, and for those with identified football talent, provide additional coaching to enable them to achieve their best with the aim of competing at an elite level.

Potential applicants are required to complete the on-line application form located at:
<https://www.cac.qld.edu.au/programme/specialised-sport-programmes/football-academy>

NETBALL ACADEMY

The Coomera Anglican College Netball Academy provides students from Years 4 to 12 with the opportunity to participate in a developmental Netball programme and to provide students with identified netball talent with additional coaching to enable them to progress to and compete at an elite level.

Potential applicants are required to complete the on-line application form located at:
<http://www.cac.qld.edu.au/our-college/specialised-sports-programmes/netball-academy>

CLUBS

NETBALL

The Coomera Anglican College Netball Club was established in 2009, primarily to provide opportunities for Coomera Anglican College students to be involved in this great sport in the wider community. The club competes on Saturday at the Northern Gold Coast Association. Information regarding registration can be located at:
<http://www.cac.qld.edu.au/our-college/specialised-sports-programmes/netball-club>

BASKETBALL

The Coomera Anglican College Basketball Club was established in 2012, primarily to provide opportunities for Coomera Anglican College students to be involved in this great sport in the wider community. The club competes on Thursday night and Saturday morning at the Northern Gold Coast Seahawks. Email ahall@cac.qld.edu.au for more information regarding registration.

ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

This is an elite programme for selected students in Years 4 – 7.

ADP helps students improve their overall fitness levels in the key areas of cardiovascular endurance, strength, speed and agility, as well as mental preparation and the role it plays the athlete development. It is run over the first three terms of the year.

Selection Criteria Years 4-6:

- Winners of the ADP Endeavour Awards 2018.
- Year 4: Beep Test: Boys Level 7.5 or greater. Girls Level 6.5 or greater.
- Year 5/6: Top ten athletes (points) from ADP in 2018 in their year level.
Athletes who have represented sport at a district, regional, state or national level through school pathways.
- Athletes who were a member of the 2018 APS Swimming, Cross Country and Athletic Track Teams 10-12years.
- Athletes nominated by CAC Sporting Academy Head Coaches.
- Application for consideration to Coordinator of Sport and Athlete Development Coach.
- Athletes can be periodically added based on the above criteria throughout the year.

ADP Endeavour Award

This award is presented to two athletes who demonstrate persistence and commitment to training across all three terms

SPORTING AWARDS

CELEBRATION EVENING

As part of the award giving at the annual Celebration evening, the following sporting awards will be presented:

- Sportsman Award (Years 4-6)
- Sportswomen Award (Years 4-6)

Students will be allocated points towards the Sports Awards based on the criteria listed below. For each sport, students will only be awarded points for the highest level of representation that they have attained in that sport:

For example: A students who is selected in the Queensland Primary Schools' Tennis Team will only be awarded 6 points for their Tennis achievements.

APS Team (Swimming, Cross Country, Athletics)	1 point
District Team*	2 points
Regional Team*	4 points
State Team*	6 points
National Team*	8 points

Please note:

- * School sport representative pathway only.
- * A list of school pathway sports and competitions are listed in the back of this booklet.
- * In the event of a tie, the highest level of representation will win.
- * In the event of points and level of representation still resulting in a tie, the Principal of College in conjunction with the Head of School will have the final decision.

SPORTING BADGES

Coomera Anglican College awards badges to those students (10 to 18 years), who achieve representation in school pathway sports (see list at the back of booklet).

Students are eligible for the following awards:

- (a) A **Bronze** Badge
- (b) A **Silver** Badge
- (c) A **Gold** Badge

Bronze Award:

Bronze Awards are recognition of the students who achieve and participate in District level representation in a school pathway sport.

Silver Award:

Silver Awards are recognition of the students who achieve and participate in Regional level representation in a school pathway sport.

Gold Award:

Gold Awards are recognition of the students who achieve and participate in State level representation in a school pathway sport.

HINTERLAND DISTRICT TRIALS

The APS Carnivals are Hinterland District trials for swimming, cross country and athletics.

WEEKLY AWARDS

Throughout the APS competition, weekly awards will be presented in the following areas:

- Best & Fairest (each APS team)

At the conclusion of each of the Season 1 and Season 2 competitions, the following awards will be presented:

- Coach's Award (each APS team)
- Best and Fairest (each APS team)

COOMERA ANGLICAN COLLEGE SPORTING CALENDAR 2019

To assist with your planning, a number of sporting dates are listed below for your convenience. Please note that all dates entered are accurate at the time of printing however, some variation may occur.

February	7	Years 4–6 House Swimming Carnival
	21	Years 4–6 Primary APS/Hinterland Swimming Carnival
March	19	Years 4-6 APS Training Begins 3.15-4.15pm
	21	APS Season 1 – Round 1
	28	APS Season 1 – Round 2
April	3	Preparatory – Year 12 House Cross Country Carnival
	23	Years 4-6 APS NO Training
	29	APS/Hinterland Cross Country Carnival
	30	Years 4-6 APS Training Recommences 3.15-4.15pm
May	2	APS Season 1 – Round 3
	9	APS Season 1 – Round 4
	16	APS Season 1 – Round 5
	21	Years 4-6 APS NO Training
	23	APS Winter Sport – No Game
	Wk 5	Primary athletics Carnival TBC
	28	Years 4-6 APS Training Recommences 3.15-4.15pm
30	APS Season 1 Sport – Round 6	
June	4	Last Training Day for APS Season 1
	6	APS Season Sport – Round 7
	12	Primary APS/Hinterland Athletics Carnival
	13	DNK (Rugby) & GT (Netball) Cup, APS Futsal (Soccer) Competition. Selected students only.
July/August		
September	14/15	Primary Schools Netball Cup
	19	Preparatory – Year 2 Athletics Carnival
October	8	Years 4-6 APS Sports Training Begins 3.15-4.15pm
	10	APS Season 2 Sport – Round 1
	17	APS Season 2 Sport – Round 2
	24	APS Season 2 Sport – Round 3
	31	APS Season 2 Sport – Round 4
November	7	APS Season 2 Sport – Round 5
	14	APS Season 2 Sport – Round 6
	19	Last APS Sports Training for Semester 2
	21	APS Summer Sport – Round 7
	26	Preparatory to Year 3 Swimming Carnival

2019 10-12 YEARS DISTRICT, REGIONAL & STATE CALENDAR BY TRIAL DATE

- Students must obtain a nomination form from the Sports Department to attend Hinterland Trials. This must be completed, signed and returned to the Sports Department by the due date on the Sports Information Sheet.
- Students must be selected into the Hinterland Team to progress further through the trial process.
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Sport	Hinterland Trial Dates	South Coast Trial Dates	Qld State Title Trial Dates
Aquathlon 11-12yrs	Paper Nom- TBC	Mon 5 Nov 2018, Evandale	9 Mar, Harvey Bay
Triathlon 11-19yrs	Paper Nom- TBC	Sun 2 Dec, Kingscliffe	7-9 Mar, Harvey Bay
Swimming (Green) 10-12yrs	Mon 18 Feb	Mon 4 Mar, Gold Coast Aquatic	25-27 Mar, Sleeman SC Brisbane
Swimming (Gold) 10-12yrs	Thurs 21 Feb	Mon 4 Mar, Gold Coast Aquatic	25-27 Mar, Sleeman SC Brisbane
Golf 10-18yrs	Paper Nom- TBC	Mon 11 Mar, Windaroo Golf Club	28 Apr- 1 May, Keperra Golf Club
Touch 10-12yrs Boys	Tues 26 Feb	Thurs 21 Mar, Owen Park	13-16 June, Chinchilla
Basketball 10-12yrs Boys	Tues 5 Mar	Tues 19 Mar, GCSLC	30 May- 2 Jun, Caloundra
Basketball 10-12yrs Girls	Tues 5 Mar	Tues 19 Mar, GCSLC	30 May- 2 Jun, Caloundra
AFL 10-12yrs Boys	Wed 6 Mar	Tues 26 Mar, Ormeau	6- 9 Jun, Brendale
AFL 10-12yrs Girls	Wed 6 Mar	Tues 26 Mar, Ormeau	8-10 Jun, Brendale
Netball 10-11yr (inv)	Tues 12 Mar	Wed 27 Mar, GCSLC	17-18 Aug, Toowoomba
Netball 10-12yr	Tues 12 Mar	Wed 27 Mar, GCSLC	20-23 June, Bundeberg
Football 10-12yrs Boys	Tues 12 Mar & Wed 3 Apr	Tues 7 May, Glennon Park	25-28 Jul, Flinders View
Cricket 10-12yrs Boys	Mon 18 Mar (Gold)/	Wed 28 (R'bay)- Thur 29 Aug (Everdell Pk)	13-17 Oct, Amberly
Hockey 10-12yrs Boys	Mon 25 Mar	Wed 24 Apr, GC Hockey Centre	6-9 Jun, Townsville
Hockey 10-12yrs Girls	Mon 25 Mar	Wed 24 Apr, GC Hockey Centre	6-9 Jun, Townsville
Rugby League 10-11yrs Boys (inv)	Tues 2 Apr	Tues 30- Wed 1 May, R'Bay RLC	6- 10 Jul, Arana Leagues Club
Rugby League 11-12yrs Boys	Tues 2 Apr	Tues 30- Wed 1 May, R'Bay RLC	27 Jun- 2 Jul, Carina League Club
Football 10-12yrs Girls	Wed 24 Apr	Tues 7 May, Glennon Park	25-28 Jul, Flinders View
Touch 10-12yrs Girls	Tues 30 April	Tues 21 May, Owen Park	1-4 Aug, TBC
Cross Country (Gold) 10-19yrs	Mon 29 Apr	Tues 4 June, Runaway Bay	20-22 Jul, Toowoomba
Softball 10-12yrs Girls	Tues 7 May	Tues 21 May, Meakin Park	29 Aug- 1 Sep, Cairns
Cross Country (Green) 10-19yrs	Wed 8 May	Tues 4 June, Runaway Bay	20-22 Jul, Toowoomba
Tennis 10-12yrs Boys	Mon 13 May	Mon 27 May, Christive Ave Burleigh	8-11 Aug, Toowoomba
Tennis 10-12yrs Girls	Mon 13 May	Mon 27 May, Christive Ave Burleigh	8-11 Aug, Toowoomba
Rugby Union 11-12yrs	Tues 28 May	Tues 11 June, Glennon Park	1-4 Aug, Townsville

Cricket 10-12yrs Girls	Paper Nom- TBC	Mon 22 Jul, TSS	6-9 Oct, Toowoomba
Rugby League 11-12yrs Girls	Paper Nom- TBC	Tues 23 Jul, Runaway Bay JRL	19-22 Sep, Miami
Track & Field (Gold) 10-12yrs	Wed 12 Jun	Mon 29- Tues 30 July, Griffith	15-16 Aug, QSAC Brisbane
Track & Field (Green) 10-12yrs	Tues 18- Wed 19 Jun	Mon 29- Tues 30 July, Griffith	15-16 Aug, QSAC Brisbane

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CHILD PROTECTION

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

Anglican schools support the rights of children and young people and are committed to ensure the safety, welfare and wellbeing of students. Anglican schools are therefore committed to responding to allegations of student harm resulting from the conduct or actions of any person including that of employees.

This commitment includes the provision of a safe and supportive living and learning environment for all students and requires all employees, volunteers and visitors to model and encourage behaviour that upholds the dignity and protection of students from harm.

POLICY

Coomera Anglican College adheres to the child protection policy and procedures set by the Anglican Diocese of Brisbane - *Student Protection in Anglican Schools Policy and Procedures 2015*. The Diocesan policy applies to all employees - paid or unpaid, full time, part time, casual and volunteers - associated with the College. The *Student Protection in Anglican Schools Policy and Procedures 2015* policy document is available on the College web site and on Passmarc.

The Diocesan policy specifically applies to students under 18 years of age. It is also recognised that at times young adults (that is, persons aged over 18 but less than 25) participating in Diocesan activities may be vulnerable. Accordingly, schools must take care to promote the welfare and best interests of young adults. Reporting information or allegations of harm concerning a student within a school is mandatory. Legal and Diocesan consequences will apply to any employee or other person where such behaviours occur.

All employees of the College share in the responsibility to promote and strive to provide a safe environment for students across Anglican Schools. This responsibility is placed upon them by the Gospel teachings of Jesus and the law.

The Diocesan policy outlines the obligations, roles and responsibilities of employees (staff members), volunteers and visitors to all Anglican schools to appropriately respond to and report all allegations or suspicions of:

- sexual abuse or likely sexual abuse by another person of:
 - a) a student under 18 years attending the school;
 - b) a pre-preparatory age child registered in a pre-preparatory learning program at the school;
 - c) a person with a disability who -
 - i. under section 420(2), is being provided with special education at the school; and
 - ii. is not enrolled in the preparatory year at the school
- significant harm or unacceptable risk of significant harm of a student (child under 18 years of age) or an unborn child, after his or her birth; or
- inappropriate behaviour by an employee or volunteer towards a student.

The Diocesan policy applies to all employees and other persons, such as parents, carers, clergy, volunteers, contractors and consultants.

RESPONSIBILITIES

All employees, volunteers and visitors of Coomera Anglican College are required to:

- ensure they are conversant and comply with child protection legislation and this Policy;
- ensure that their behaviour neither encourages nor supports behaviours in others that undermine the purpose of this Policy;
- report all allegations of sexual abuse or likely sexual abuse of a student by another person;
- report to the Student Protection Officer or Principal any information or allegation of harm that the employee is aware or reasonably suspects has been caused to a student by another person;
- report all allegations or concerns of inappropriate behaviour of an employee or volunteer towards a student
- maintain strict confidentiality; and
- practice safe behaviours

STUDENT PROTECTION OFFICERS

To report any information or allegation of harm that you are aware of or reasonably suspect has been caused to a student, contact:

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STUDENT PROTECTION IN ANGLICAN SCHOOLS POLICY AND PROCEDURES 2015

A full copy of the *Student Protection in Anglican Schools Policy and Procedures 2015* is available on the College website (www.cac.qld.edu.au) and on Passmarc. The Diocesan policy is available to provide further information on how we can all protect our students. Additional information is also provided in the *Anglican Schools Office Information for Parents* sheet which is located on Passmarc and on the College website:

<http://www.cac.qld.edu.au/governance-and-policies>