



LOCK AREA SCHOOL

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Student Leadership Policy

Rationale

Students should be encouraged to participate actively in the life of the school and its community.

Through Student Elected Leadership positions the school aims to foster pride in the school, develop a sense of leadership, cooperation and school values.

Student Representative Council (SRC)

The SRC is a decision making body which represents the students.

The SRC role is to:

- Represent students in the school's decision-making process.
- Organise or approve functions, fundraisers and activities.
- Provide elected students with valuable leadership learning experiences and skill development.
- Provide a forum for students to discuss a range of school issues.
- Provide regular reports to Governing Council and staff.
- Hold regular meetings.

Organisation and Management:

- A teacher is appointed as a supervisor.
- The Principal retains the right to discharge students who do not act in the spirit of the position. In these circumstances, a re-election may take place.
- Meetings will take place fortnightly.

SRC Leader Election Process

- 2 leaders are elected for the year.
- Gender balance is desired.
- The most senior students self-nominate or are nominated by the primary and secondary classes.
- Nominated students must present a prepared speech on their suitability for the role prior to elections. Speeches need to be of a quality accepted by the Principal or nominee.
- Elected students are selected by secret ballot.

Class Captain Election Process

- Each class will elect a class captain every term. These students will make up the remaining SRC body.
- Elections are completed at the discretion of the home group teacher/s.

Induction Process

- SRC Leaders are inducted into office at a Badge Presentation at the beginning of Term 1.
- Class Captains are inducted into office at a Badge Presentation at the beginning of each term.
- All elected representatives are to recite the pledge to the student body and the school community at Badge Presentations.
- Pledge: **I promise to represent the school to the best of my ability. I will positively promote student voice. I will set a good example to other students by modelling the school values.**

The role of the SRC Leaders

- Attend set meetings
- Run SRC meetings (secretary/chair)
- Support class captains
- Open/close sporting events
- MC the end of year Presentation Morning
- Welcome/thank special visitors
- Represent the school at a regional level.
- Represent the school appropriately

The role of the Class Captain

- Attend set meetings
- Represent the class to accept awards, classroom visitors, and fulfil special duties
- Represent their class at SRC meetings
- Take class issues to the SRC meeting and report back.
- Take issues requiring further discussion from SRC meetings back to class meetings.

The role of the SRC Coordinator

- Be available for consultation.
- Be present at all SRC meetings.
- Encourage, guide, advise and assist in planning all activities.
- Guide leaders in the running of meetings.
- Support SRC leaders when representing the school at a regional level.

The role of the Principal

- Be available for consultation.
- Induct the students into office (Badge Presentation) at an assembly.

House Captains

Lock Area School have 2 houses - Terre and McLachlan. A male and female captain, if possible, will be elected for each house at house meetings in the first week of Term 1.

Election Process

- Students self-nominate for the house captain position.
- Primary and secondary classes vote on nominees in a secret ballot.

Role of the House Captain

- Prepare a speech to present if their team wins the sports carnival.
- Assist team members at sporting events.
- Assist the sports coordinator in selecting relay teams for their house.
- Promote and encourage team morale.
- Support all students in their house.