



Illawarra Christian School

Buildings & Facilities Policy

1 Purpose and Biblical Basis

Psalm 24: 1-2

The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.

2 Corinthians 9:11

You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

The purpose of this policy is to provide the parameters for the monitoring and maintenance of all buildings and facilities at Illawarra Christian School. Psalm 24 tells us that everything, including all the buildings and facilities we enjoy at Illawarra Christian School, belongs to God and 2 Corinthians 9:11 tells us that we are blessed richly so that we can be generous on every occasion, part of which is the ability to share our abundance with the wider community.

2 Rationale

As good stewards of God's provision to our school, our response is to ensure we look after, care for and sustain our buildings and facilities. Buildings and facilities must also conform to safety standards and as part of our commitment to providing a safe environment to our students and staff, this policy outlines and informs school procedures in relation to monitoring and maintaining the standard of our buildings and facilities.

3 Policy Statement

The standard and state of repair of all Illawarra Christian School buildings will be regularly assessed and monitored to ensure they comply with all relevant building standards and remain safe for educational purposes.

Premises and buildings at Illawarra Christian School, including any new buildings, must comply with relevant council and government requirements, including environmental and land use guidelines.

Assessment of each building by staff under the direction of the WHS Committee will occur at least annually and records will be kept of the assessment and any resulting action recommended from each assessment.

Assessment of buildings will include safety and compliance issues with respect to current building requirements and ongoing maintenance to ensure buildings are maintained in good condition.

All buildings at Illawarra Christian School will comply with the requirements for buildings in the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.

Buildings at Illawarra Christian School will be subject to an annual fire safety assessment which is compliant with Part 9, Division 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 and local Council regulations.

Records of the annual fire safety assessment, including compliance or non-compliance will be made and kept on file for 1 year before being archived.

The standard and state of repair of all facilities at Illawarra Christian School will be regularly assessed and monitored to ensure they comply with requirements in the Explosives Act 2003 and the Work Health and Safety Act 2012.

Assessment of Illawarra Christian School facilities will occur at least annually and records will be kept of the evaluation and any resulting action recommended from each evaluation.

4 Document History

Policy History

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