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CO-CURRICULAR - STUDENT

Whilst great schools have a strong teaching and learning focus, they also understand the importance of offering their students a diverse co-curricular programme. This is consistent with the focus of the School on the needs of the whole person - intellectual, spiritual, emotional, physical and social. The School offers the opportunity for all students from Year 3 to Year 9 to participate and engage in a range of Co-Curricular activities, with encouragement as an option for older students from Year 10 to Year 12 to continue their involvement. The hope is that each student discovers their hidden passions and abilities through engaging in the diverse range of activities on offer as they journey through our School.

POLICY

1. All students from Year 3 to Year 9 must be involved and participate in some form of suitable Co-Curricular activity throughout the School year. Depending on availability and resources, there will be various programmes on offer, which provide a balance between the interests, needs and talents of the staff and students. The programme is comprehensive, with a rich range of sporting activities, musical, dramatic, public speaking, community service, recreational, outdoor pursuits and academic enrichment activities.
2. School-run activities will vary and include those of a competitive nature, such as sporting groups, but also include community, personal growth and service activities. These activities are vital and integral for the School to fulfil its role to focus on the whole person. It is expected that students will spend a portion of Co-Curricular time involved in physical programmes.
3. The School recognises that there are students already committed to community and association-run activities and organisations. The School will support the commitment of those students and acknowledge those activities as their Co-Curricular commitment, provided that the activity is suitable and run within a positive values framework. It is desirable for students involved in a community-run, remote activity, to spend some time participating in a School-based activity.
4. The Co-Curricular activities are an opportunity for staff to honour a commitment to owning a shared responsibility for the varying needs of all students' development. Teaching staff are expected to directly support the Co-Curricular programme each week and staff are used as coaches, facilitators and coordinators of particular activities. These activities should also provide an opportunity for staff to build community and form relationships in a manner not always possible within the classroom environment.
5. Parent commitment to the programme is also essential and this can be demonstrated in various ways. If your child is going to be absent from an activity for any session, the staff member facilitating the activity or the Co-Curricular Programme Co-Ordinator must be notified by note, email or phone prior to the day of the session or as soon as practical afterwards. Emails can be forwarded to the Co-Curricular Programme Co-Ordinator via cocurric@petermoyes.wa.edu.au. Parents can also help by ensuring that students select activities carefully and remain committed for the duration of the season, as well as offering parental support to staff and others responsible for activities appropriately.

CO-CURRICULAR TIMELINE

The Brochure of activities on offer is released in Week 9 of each Term. All parents are to enrol their son/daughter via the Parent Portal on the School's website by the start of the term. This includes all students who are exempt due to outside commitments.

****Please note that there are no Co-Curricular activities during the first full and the last full week of each term.***

Courses will run based on enrolment numbers received. Therefore, the ability for students to change their Co-Curricular choices is very limited. The last day to make a change to a student's enrolment will be the last day of the second week of the term.

FEE POLICY

Some School organised activities may involve a cost. Details and costs are advised on Co-Curricular Brochures published on the School website every term. All charges are made directly to the external providers.

Upon enrolling for an activity, you are liable to pay for the activity cost for the entire term, even if your child is only able to participate for part of the term or withdraws after the second week of the term.

Charges for Co-Curricular activities cover the following costs:

- costs of instructors and coaches from outside the School
- equipment and/or facilities leased or hired for the activity