ST EUPHEMIA COLLEGE

K-12

SPORTS AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY POLICY 2014
1. **Policy Statement**

This policy acknowledges St Euphemia College’s responsibilities to meet the physical education and sporting needs of students and to provide guidelines for the participation in a range of sports and physical activities.

Safety conditions for specific activities apply whether the activities are taken as part of school sport, physical education during School excursions, or any other occasion where planned activities are to occur.

2. **Applicability**

This policy applies to all staff, students, coaches, parents, caregivers and personnel associated with St Euphemia College.

3. **Context/Rationale**

Students of St Euphemia College are required to participate in planned physical activity. The specific requirements for students are approximately:

- Years K-2: 70 minutes per week
- Years 3-6: 110 minutes per week
- Years 7-10: 120-150 minutes per week
- Year 11: 100 minutes per week are required for Year 11 students.

This Policy covers requirements relating to student safety and welfare, supervision, equipment specification and venue requirements for a range of sports and physical activities.

4. **Roles and Responsibilities**

**Responsibility of the Principal/Delegated Authority**

The Principal/Delegated Authority is expected to:

- implement safe sport practices undertaken by staff and students
- implement and monitor this Policy.

**Responsibilities of the Sports Coordinators**

The Sports Coordinators are expected to:

- advise on the implementation of the policy and support material
- oversee the safety of staff and students through the provision of appropriate equipment and venues and complete appropriate risk assessments
- ensure that equipment adheres to Australian Safety Standards
- alert staff and students to any necessary changes or requirements
• promote student participation in sporting and physical activities
• coordinate sporting and physical activity initiatives
• apply fair team selection practices.

Responsibilities of the Staff Coaches
The Staff Coaches are expected to:
• ensure that equipment adheres to Australian Safety Standards
• raise any safety concerns with the Sports Coordinators
• promote and encourage student participation in sporting and physical activities
• apply fair team selection practices.

Responsibilities of the Parents or Caregivers
The Parents or Caregivers are expected to:
• support their children’s involvement in School sport and physical activities
• model and encourage their children to participate in sport and physical activities based on the underlying principles of fair play and sportsmanship.

Responsibilities of the Students
The Students are expected to:
• Participate in all sporting and physical activities to the best of their ability
• Behave in a sportsman like manner at all times.

5. Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting Requirements
All staff associated with sport will monitor the implementation of this Policy and its accompanying Procedures.