

FUNDRAISING

Scope: This policy applies to St Patrick's College ('the College') Mackay conducted by Catholic Education, Diocese of Rockhampton (referred to as Catholic Education in the document).

1. POLICY STATEMENT

The College will take a strategic approach in prioritising fundraising initiatives of the College. In the first instance priority will be given to Catholic agencies with an emphasis on the SEE, JUDGE, ACT methodology of the Diocesan guidelines.

2. DESCRIPTION

The College willingly participates in the Church's mission "to bring the Good News to the poor" (Luke 4:18) and has given wonderful support to various charities and agencies over many years. Diocesan guidelines suggest that schools prioritise their responses and consider their responsibilities to Catholic agencies after a process of prayerful discernment and the seeking of wise counsel.

As a Catholic School in the Rockhampton Diocese, the College is encouraged to develop a strategic approach to supporting charities and to provide staff and students with practical opportunities to be of service to the community. The allocation of appropriate personnel, time and resources should also link to local parish and diocesan initiatives enabling a more collaborative approach.

3. IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

All fundraising in the college will be approved by the leadership of the College – using the diocesan guidelines – SEE, JUDGE, ACT and the nine criteria.

Catholic agencies and diocesan initiatives will have priority.

Fundraising within the College should wherever possible, support the strategic direction of the College programs for community, social justice, pastoral care with consideration of the College calendar.

Wherever possible school initiatives will link with local parish and community initiatives.

4. REFLECTION MATERIAL

Guidelines for Advocacy, Fundraising and Social Action – Catholic Schools and Colleges in the Diocese of Rockhampton (included as appendix).