

# SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

## MISSION

At Traralgon College our purpose is to grow together as adaptable, confident, successful learners and citizens.

#### VISION

Our work is based on the belief that;

- Everyone is capable of learning; and
- Learning is a collaborative effort between students, teachers and parents/guardians.

#### VALUES

At Traralgon College we value learning and achievement through;

- Respect- for self, others and our environment
- Responsibility- to strive for success
- Resilience- to take on new challenges

Traralgon College's philosophy of learning is built on a foundation of democratic principles that underpin the beliefs, values and goals of the school:

- That all humans have equal rights and should be treated equally before he law
- That all citizens should be able to freely express themselves through religion, speech and association.
- That all people have the right to be treated with dignity, tolerance and openness.

The current strategic plan has two key goals, including three improvement priorities:

- Improving learning outcomes in all classes
  - Excellence in Teaching and Learning
  - Professional Leadership
- Build a positive sense of community and pride.
  - Community Engagement in Learning



# **ENACTMENT OF THE SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY**

Our beliefs that every student can learn and the importance of a collaborative approach are enacted through our curriculum planning processes, team structures and staff professional learning plan.

Staff work collaboratively in teams that each develop team charters, which include specific goals about improving student learning within that team.

Students are supported to enact our 3 values of respect, responsibility and Resilience through use of a behavior matrix that describes what these values look like, and are recognized and rewarded for exhibiting these values and behaviors.

## **PUBLICATION OF SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY**

- This statement of philosophy is published on the school website.
- Our school values, including behavior expectations for students, staff and parents is published in the school's prospectus also published on the schools website.

## **REVIEW CYCLE**

This policy was last approved by school council on 22 October 2020 and is scheduled for review in September 2023.