



# Saints College

## **Saints College's Democratic Principles**

Saints College's school campuses are conducted in accordance with the spirit and vision of Edmund Rice Education, have a clear commitment to social justice, and stands in solidarity with the poor and disadvantaged of all social, cultural and religious backgrounds.

Saints College's adhere to the Education and Training Reform Act 2006 and deliver programs and teaching in a manner that supports and promotes the principles and practice of Australian democracy. As schools within Australian society, Saints College's in its programs and teaching, supports and promotes the principles and practices of Australian democracy, including a commitment to elected government, the rule of law, equal rights for all before the law, freedom of religion, freedom of speech and association as well as the values of openness and tolerance.

Saints College's is committed to creating and maintaining a learning environment that is reflective of egalitarian and socially cohesive Australian Society. We take seriously our obligation to stand for equality of opportunity, fair play, acceptance of diversity of cultural or socio- economic background within a values based public education training system. Our principles, processes and practices support the development of effective Australian citizens who have an awareness of the elements which underpin Australian democracy.

Through our policy and procedural framework, Saints College's strive to protect and help learners to actively contribute to a democratic society that is comfortable with and respectful of difference, rejects violence and negative forms of discrimination and is compassionate toward those in need.