

Property and Finance

Rationale

Ownership/Maintenance

- a) The College is administered and operated on behalf of the Archdiocese by Brisbane Catholic Education.
- b) Brisbane Catholic Education, on behalf of the Archdiocese, oversees the management of the legal, industrial, financial (including insurance) and educational arrangements of the school.
- c) Recurrent costs are incorporated into Brisbane Catholic Education staffing allocations and maintenance planning.
- d) Unity College has responsibility for the appropriate, local management and stewardship of the above point
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Environment

- a) Aesthetic features will include provision for the physical, the sacred and the spiritual, the creative, the cognitive, the practical and the relational aspects of schooling.
- b) Planning will take into account the better use of sun, wind, water and recycling throughout the school facilities and learning environment – the self-sustaining school.
- c) A cool school, along with heating, use of light, sun safe provisions, seating, ease of supervision, especially playground supervision, will be considered.
- d) Outside environmental considerations contributing to curriculum support and learning will be featured e.g. use of space in close proximity to classroom such as a pergola for outside learning/activities. Other considerations will include native gardens and trees, food bearing and flowering plants, forest areas, pond life, water experiments, the plant hierarchy, plant propagation and development, conservation and recycling management, natural shade areas, weather station, physical education development, amphitheatre.
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Values

It is Gospel values that enliven the community of Unity College. These values will impact on all decisions concerning the purposes, content, teaching/learning experiences, evaluation processes and structures within the community.

Recognizing learning is an active, shared, life-long journey, the following values are important signposts for our developing community:

- ❖ **the integration of faith, life and culture**
- ❖ **a commitment to working with parents as the first educators in collaborative partnership**
- ❖ **being a place of opportunity for faith, hope and love**
- ❖ **accepting diversity**
- ❖ **respect and support for the individual gifts, talents and needs of each member of the school community**
- ❖ **provide educational opportunity to assist the holistic growth of all**
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Amongst the values especially commended are: **Christian traditions, reverence, stewardship, creation, sustainable environment, dignity, inclusion, respect, compassion, truth, beauty, justice, honesty, openness, collaborative participation, shared wisdom, accountability, trust and forgiveness.**

Policy Statement

Unity College is committed to the provision of high quality, affordable, inclusive Christian education in the traditions of the Uniting and Catholic Churches. It is a collaborative enterprise in P-12 education serving the Catholic and Uniting Church communities of Caloundra City. It is owned and administered by the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane. It is governed by the administrative and financial policies of Brisbane Catholic Education. Through the College Board the building and maintenance responsibilities are accountable to the community and Brisbane Catholic Education. The college is committed to the provision of resources equitably and responsibly.

Guidelines

Guidelines and procedures such as the following need to be revised or developed: Fees and Levies, Fee Concessions, Non-Payment of Fees, Use of College Facilities, Community Sharing of Resources, Fundraising and, Sponsorship, Technologies, Finance and Planning.

