



NUMERACY POLICY

Rationale:

Addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, percentages and graphing are basic skills which can be improved at all levels. Students at Spotswood College need to be given opportunities across the curriculum to improve levels of numeracy while Teachers and Caregivers can be guided with instructional processes and strategies which will help students to succeed further. Data collection will measure the effectiveness of processes and strategies thus providing a vehicle for continual improvement.

Purposes:

1. To improve levels of numeracy throughout the School
2. To use improved levels of numeracy to assist in lifting levels of achievement across the curriculum.
3. To provide baseline data to assist all teachers and students
4. Use baseline data to identify individual learning needs
5. Through deliberate and effective acts of teaching provide opportunities for students to improve levels of numeracy
6. Empower teachers and parents with strategies which will allow improved numeracy learning and development.
7. Report to parents using numeracy data.
8. To allow and encourage students to set targets through the IDP process to improve levels of numeracy.

Approval:

When the Board approved this Policy it agreed that no variations of this Policy or amendments to it could be made, except with the majority approval of the Board.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 25 June, 2012

Signed on behalf of, and with the authority of the Board

_____ on _____ (Date)
Board Chairperson

Due for Review: _____ (Date)

Reviewed Date: _____ Signed for B.O.T. _____

PROCEDURES FOR NUMERACY

1. Numeracy Leader identified.
2. An Annual Numeracy Action Plan developed and then regularly reviewed.
3. Testing and Asttle carried out.
4. Parents reported to.
5. Community informed.
6. All Teachers guided to standardise instruction techniques to improve levels of Numeracy in classrooms.
7. Numeracy improvement becomes part of IDP process.
8. Evaluation of Purposes, Guidelines and practices is carried out to allow continual improvement.
9. The testing timelines and tools will be reviewed annually.