

	<b>Policy Name:</b>	Sponsorship	<b>Date of approval:</b>	2007
	<b>Responsible:</b>	Finance Committee	<b>Review date:</b>	2010

## 1. **Rationale:**

- 1.1 Our school recognises the mutual benefits that can be gained from developing positive and purposeful partnerships with organisations, businesses and societies that exist within the wider school community.

## 2. **Aims:**

- 2.1 To improve student learning, to increase staff development opportunities, and to enhance school resources through a deliberate strategy of developing positive and purposeful partnerships with organisations, businesses and societies that exist within the wider school community.

## 3. **Implementation:**

- 3.1 A Finance committee of the school council will investigate and negotiate all potential sponsorship arrangements.
- 3.2 The sub-committee will provide school council with a full detailed written report of any proposal, and seek school council approval before finalising any partnership arrangements. Any pecuniary interests by school councillors must be declared to school council at the time of the sub-committee's report.
- 3.3 All sponsorship and partnership arrangements will be considered by school council on merit, and decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis.
- 3.4 When pursuing potential sponsorship arrangements, the sub-committee is required to adhere to the following code of ethics:-
- Sponsorships will only be sought with organisations, companies and societies where a clear and demonstrable benefit for the students and the school's programs can be guaranteed.
  - Sponsorship arrangements must take into account the values and views of the school community, as well as the school charter and policies.
  - Sponsorship arrangements will only be entered into with organisations, companies and societies that have a positive public image, and are associated with products and services appropriate for a school to align themselves with.
  - Arrangements must not be entered into with companies directly involved with tobacco or alcohol products.
- 3.5 Sponsorships arrangements that contain restrictions regarding the schools ability to purchase goods and services freely, or restrict the schools ability to make choices in any way, will be avoided.
- 3.6 Each individual sponsorship arrangement will be reviewed on an annual basis.

## 4. **Evaluation:**

- 4.1 This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

References: Exec Memo 2002/041 Framework for Developing School – Community Relationships  
Vic Govt Schools Reference Guide - <http://www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/edulibrary/public/schadmin/Management/6-23.pdf>