PREAMBLE

Building on its Memorandum and Articles of Association, and its Statements of Strategic Intent, the School encourages boys to face and manage risks, recognising that risks are an integral part of life and the pursuit of the School’s aims; and that responding to them effectively is a critical life skill.

The School’s philosophy is not to eliminate all risks, but to pursue its aims with programmes containing acceptable levels of risk, even significant risk, while supporting and training boys and staff in the management of these risks.

To this end, Scotch College has developed this Risk Management Policy to facilitate the ongoing development of risk management principles and processes. The School has also developed a risk management framework, within the operations of the School and with reference to AS/NZS ISO 31000, adapted for the needs of the School.

Scotch College provides resources and time to implement risk management processes, to mitigate the level of risk associated with educating boys, and in a manner consistent with the Scotch College Statements of Strategic Intent.

AIM

The aim of the risk management policy is to:

- promote student, staff, and wider community safety;
- facilitate the delivery of an educational programme consistent with objectives established within the Statements of Strategic Intent, in an environment where operational risks are identified, reviewed and appropriately mitigated; and
- improve contingency planning for dealing with risks and their impact.

PRINCIPLES

Scotch College will:

- identify, rank and monitor risks in a School-wide risk register;
- ensure risk management becomes part of the day-to-day management of the School;
- support staff with the training, policies and procedures necessary to manage risks at an operational level;
- ensure members of the School executive are actively involved in risk management processes;
- allocate responsibility and resources for risk management within key areas, as identified within the risk and compliance structure;
- review the Risk Management Policy and plan annually; and,
- communicate the risk management policy throughout the School community via the School intranet.

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