

Bellfield College Discipline Policy Summary

Bellfield College's discipline policy is designed to encourage students to have respect for themselves, others, the environment and the process of teaching and learning,

Students are required to abide by the school's rules and to follow the directions of teachers and other people with authority delegated by the school. Where disciplinary action is required, penalties imposed vary according to the nature of the breach of discipline and a student's prior behaviour.

Bellfield College prohibits corporal punishment and does not explicitly or implicitly sanction the administering of corporal punishment by non-school persons, including parents, to enforce discipline at the school.

To ensure procedural fairness for all students, the following process is to be observed:

- Outlining the alleged behaviour
- Allowing the student to respond
- Considering the response
- Indicating the school's view and likely action to the student/parents
- Considering any further comment or appeal particularly in relation to suspension, expulsion or exclusion
- Making a final decision

To help provide an unbiased and impartial decision, the Primary Co-ordinator may investigate where possible and the principal will make a decision on such matters.