



STUDENT REPRESENTATION POLICY

Our Understanding

Our understandings and actions at Tenison Woods College are based on our vision that the “Tenison Woods College community lets its light shine for the world through faith and action.” We have a deep conviction that every learner has a place, every learner has a pathway, and every learner will shine. That is our challenge and our celebration.

Our Inspiration

We draw our inspiration from the College’s Vision, Mission and Commitment document. It indicates that Tenison Woods College is a transformative community which has as its mission:

“To provide a welcoming and inclusive Catholic education and care for all in our community, following Christ as our Light in the spirit of our founders.”

Furthermore, our Community:

- Values the gifts and talents of each person and facilitates achievement in the spiritual, academic, social, personal and cultural aspects of life.
- Fosters the understanding that we are an integral part of a greater creation called to respond with loving action and relationships.

Our Commitment to Fostering Representation

The Tenison Woods College Board fosters excellence in faith, community, leadership, academia, performing arts and sport achievement by supporting students who represent the College in a State event competing in a National Championship, or National team competing at an International Championship and/or exhibitions of talent, whereby:

- The student must have achieved the State or National Representation by a competitive selection process, and have received selection to represent South Australia at a State or National level by the relevant governing body. For art, music, public speaking (etc) representation, members of the School Board will consider each application on its merits.
- The student must be committed to their enrolment at Tenison Woods College beyond the competition.
- The student must personally complete the Nomination form to apply for support from the College Board. Please return this by forwarding it to Mary de Nys at denym@tenison.catholic.edu.au.
- The student must make a commitment to the College Board of the format in which they will provide a reflection of their representation. We encourage students to do this for their own growth, and for the interest of the College Community of whom is supporting them. Examples are outlined on the Nomination Form.

Our Financial Support

The Tenison Woods College Board will offer the following:

- State Representation \$250
- National Representation in Australia \$500
- National Representation overseas \$1,000
- Funds will be applied against the student’s school fees or (if fees are paid in full) carried over to the following year. The student will receive a ‘Scholarship’ certificate from the Board when they report back to the College.
- Support will be to a maximum of \$1,000 per year per family.

Concerns in Relation to Implementation of the Policy

Any concerns or questions in relation the implementation of the Policy are to be directed to the Principal, who will refer the matter to the Finance Committee of the College Board for initial resolution, and then if required, to the College Chair.

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