



# Student Life Reward and Recognition Procedure



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# PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Life Rewards and Recognition Procedure Document is to recognise the involvement and achievements of students involved with Student Life at the College. The criteria for recognising participation and excellence varies between the activities.

Student Life excellence and contribution is recognised in the following formal ways:

- The awarding of a Badge acknowledging consistent participation, leadership and/or ongoing outstanding contribution to Student Life activities, acknowledgement of specific achievements e.g. Intercol, contribution to the music ensembles, the Musical.
- The badge is to be worn on the St Columba College blazer or senior jumper.
- Badges are to be worn only for the current and following year in which they were presented; for example, during 2025, students may wear badges from the 2024 season.

Recognition is also offered in the following informal ways:

- The awarding of Badges at celebratory assemblies or functions.

The Student Life Reward and Recognition Procedure aims to recognise committed participation and excellence in Student Life.

It is important that students, staff and parents are aware of the criteria and mechanisms which lie behind the awarding of badges. To this end, the information will be accessible on the School website.





## REWARD AND RECOGNITION: BADGES

Badges are awarded to students from Years 6 – 12 for committed participation over an extended period of time in a Student Life activity, or to mark a significant achievement. Badges are to be worn on the lapel of the College blazer.

Students can only be awarded one badge in any activity. For example, whilst in Music students can be awarded a badge for different musical undertakings such as Choir and Band, they cannot be awarded separate badges. Similarly, in sport, students can be awarded badges for Soccer and Netball, but not for Soccer in 2024 and Soccer in 2025.

Any activity leader wishing to introduce a badge for their activity is required to submit a proposal to the Director of Student Life. Only approved badges can be awarded.

In addition, badges are awarded to students in Years 6 – 12 for:

- Being part of a Student Life team that has gone through the season undefeated;
- Participation in an Open team match in the Intercol;
- Significant competition wins; Knockout undefeated
- Participation at the highest level in a significant inter-school event, e.g. Intercol, music competitions, Musical



## NOMINATIONS

At the end of each term, the coordinators of the Student Life Activities will collect written nominations from the teachers in charge of the activities. These nominations must be supported and accompanied by the relevant statistics and evidence of fulfilment as required.

Nominations may not be made by parents, students or outside parties.

## THE COMMITTEE

The Committee to discuss nominations shall consist of the following:

- (a) The Deputy Principal;
- (b) The Director of Student Life;
- (c) The program representative (e.g. the Director of the Musical)

The member of staff nominating the candidates will be present at the meeting.

The Committee will be guided in its decision-making by the criteria below which have been developed for each of the different activities. Badges may be denied on the basis of a student's conduct in other areas of the school, and viewed in line with the Student Life Procedure

## PRESENTATIONS

Badges will be awarded at a College Assembly.

# RECOGNITION FOR STUDENT LIFE

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

GROUP ACTIVITIES	INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES
<p><b>COMMITMENT and EXCELLENCE</b></p> <p>Badges will be awarded to students who have demonstrated excellence in curriculum-based group activities, including external competitions where they represent the College as a team. For example, group achievements in platforms such as <i>Education Perfect</i> or inter-school academic challenges will qualify for this recognition.</p> <p>The Head of Curriculum and Learning, the Deputy Principal, or the Principal will determine eligibility based on team performance and results.</p>	<p><b>COMMITMENT and EXCELLENCE</b></p> <p>Badges will also be awarded to students for outstanding individual achievements in curriculum-based areas. This includes excelling in classroom work, and achieving top results in programs like the <i>5 IAS</i> or other academic competitions.</p> <p>Individual badges will be awarded on a case-by-case basis by the Head of Curriculum and Learning, the Deputy Principal, or the Principal, ensuring that only the most exemplary students are recognised.</p>



# RECOGNITION FOR STUDENT LIFE

## PERFORMING ARTS

### GROUP ACTIVITIES AND INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES

#### COMMITMENT and EXCELLENCE

A student will be eligible for a Badge in Performing Arts if they have demonstrated consistent participation in major Drama or Music Theatre Productions over an extended period of time. They must have made a significant and sustained contribution as a performer or in an offstage role. They must have demonstrated a positive attitude and shown initiative at rehearsals and performances, for the benefit of others and the production.

A student must have displayed a high level of skill in their performing or offstage roles and have shown a continued commitment to building their skills. They must have displayed thorough preparation and well-focused participation at rehearsals and performances and have consistently performed at a high level.



## RECOGNITION FOR STUDENT LIFE CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

GROUP ACTIVITIES	INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES
<p><b>COMMITMENT and EXCELLENCE</b></p> <p>A student who has represented the College at the highest level of the activity for at least <b>80%</b> of competition events in a year or who has competed in 5 events over 2 years, will be eligible for a Badge.</p> <p>For example: Brain Bee competition of 8 weeks leading up to the event in training + Event.</p>	<p><b>COMMITMENT and EXCELLENCE</b></p> <p>A student who has represented the College at the highest level of the activity for at least <b>80%</b> of competition events in a year, or who has competed in 5 events over 2 years, will be eligible for a Badge.</p>

## RECOGNITION FOR STUDENT LIFE SPORTS

GROUP ACTIVITIES	INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES
<p><b>COMMITMENT and EXCELLENCE</b></p> <p>A student who has represented an Open team for at least <b>80%</b> of matches over a season or who has played in 8 matches (whichever is fewer), will be eligible for a Badge.</p> <p>Players must play for at least <b>half the game</b> to be credited with the game.</p> <p>A student may also be awarded a badge for outstanding service as determined by the Student Life Reward and Recognition Committee.</p>	<p><b>COMMITMENT and EXCELLENCE</b></p> <p>A student who has represented the College in at least 4 inter-school events will be eligible for a Badge.</p> <p>A student who has represented the College at Intercol will be eligible for a Badge.</p>



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