



Colo Heights Public School

Student Assistance

Policy Statement

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Rationale

The Student Assistance Scheme (SAS) provides support for students attending NSW government schools. The Scheme enables financial assistance to be provided to eligible families for school related expenses, such as uniforms or excursions.

Aims

This policy aims to;

- provide guidelines for the use of student assistance scheme funds
- outline procedures for applying for student assistance scheme funds

Implementation

- SAS funds are to be treated as “Tied Funds” for school accounting purposes (ie: funds are not to be used for general school operations or for any purpose other than for assistance to students under this scheme).
- Principals and School SAS committee will consider specific requests from students and their families for assistance under the Scheme. Each case will be considered on its merits.
- The school will purchase the items on behalf of the student or reimburse the parents for their purchase of the items when the relevant receipts are provided.
- All applications and details of assistance provided will be kept strictly confidential.
- Items listed below are examples of the types of items/activities that may be funded under the scheme;
 - school uniforms
 - textbooks
 - school excursions or related costs
 - school camps
 - subject specific costs
 - stationery needs
- Applications for student assistance may be made verbally or in writing to the principal.