

NAMING POLICY

Purpose

The following policy aims to provide guidance in the naming of events, physical resources, scholarships, awards, spaces and other titled entities at Damascus College. It endeavours to link our history and values to the named entity so that the Damascus College story may enliven our faith. It is also designed to ensure the appropriate use of names related to Damascus College Limited.

Scope

The policy applies to the naming of events, physical resources, scholarships, awards, spaces and other titled entities when required.

Policy Statement

It is Damascus College's policy to:

- apply names that reflect the values of the College and build on its story as a Catholic school in the Mercy Tradition;
- retain the right to determine the name of the physical resource, award, scholarship or event;
- welcome and acknowledge philanthropic contributions where appropriate;
- provide education about the significance of the name in the life of the College;
- consult with the Mercy Sisters and/or Parishes of Ballarat as appropriate;
- obtain permission from those being named and/or families as appropriate; and
- give full consideration of the actions and life style of the individual for whom the object may be named.

Consequences

The consequences of this policy are that Damascus College will:

- capitalise on the explicit and implicit learning opportunities that arise from the naming of events, physical resources, scholarships, awards, spaces and other titled entities so that students grow in their understanding of significant people and places in the history of the College and the tradition;
- use naming to strengthen the Catholic identity of the College;
- appropriately acknowledge benefactors and honour contributions;
- foster and develop College Spirit and pride through the naming of physical resources, awards, scholarships and events; and
- maintain a register of names used.

Responsibilities

While the Principal and the Leadership team have overall responsibility for the implementation of the policy, all members of the College community are expected to support and uphold the Catholic culture of Damascus College.

Associated Documents

Damascus College Ballarat Catholic School Culture Policy