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## Policy and Procedure Statement

### ANTI-DRUGS POLICY



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*Kirwan High – a great school...a good place to be!*

# KIRWAN STATE HIGH SCHOOL ANTI-DRUGS POLICY

Kirwan High aims to develop the personal potential of all students. Our mission is to provide educational excellence for tomorrow's citizens. We strongly condemn the use of illegal drugs and dangerous substances and will take a strong stand against anybody introducing these elements to our school.

***Students who engage in the possession, use, cultivation or supply of drugs will be recommended for exclusion from school.***

The following steps will be taken upon receiving information about drug matters within this school:

1. **ALL** matters **MUST** be forwarded to police. There is **NO** discretion available to the school or to Police personnel.
2. The school will commence their investigation of the matter by confiscating the drugs, the receptacles and utensils (where possible). The school is to interview the relevant persons to verify participants, location and time of the offence.
3. There is a power of search of school bags under Education Queensland legislation (duty of care) however; this power does not extend to staff being able to conduct personal searches. Search of bags must be conducted by two or more members of staff.
4. **IMMEDIATELY** contact the police. If the SBPO is not readily available, then the matter will be forwarded to Kirwan Police Station. **DO NOT** hold onto the matters (especially where evidence has been seized) until the SBPO returns to duty.
5. SBPO/Police will then take over the investigation. If the offender is a student who is a juvenile, then the parents/guardian of that student need to be contacted. A parent/guardian may also be required to attend the school to be present when police question the offending child. If the offender is an adult, the parents may be contacted, however they do not need to be present during police questioning.
6. **If the offender is a member of School staff:** As above with the exception that the Ethical Standards has to be immediately contacted by the school.
7. **If the offender is a non-school person:** There may still be some school investigation and the information can then be passed onto police. Police will then continue the investigation.