

# Bike, Scooter, E-Bike, E-Scooter & Skateboard Policy & Procedures

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## Introduction

Students travelling to and from the College need to be safe. Bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards are a popular means of transport for students, and are encouraged, however their use must be managed to ensure the safety of the College community and avoid accidents.

## Purpose

The purpose of this Policy & Procedures is to outline the responsibilities and expectations of staff, students and parents/carers in relation to students travelling to and from school riding bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards to ensure this occurs in a safe manner.

## Scope

This Policy and Procedures applies to staff, parents/carers and students.

## Responsibilities

### *Parents/Carers*

Parents/carers are responsible for their children travelling to and from the College. This includes all forms of transport.

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to ensure that:

- their children comply with the road safety rules and current Victorian legislation
- their children's bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards are in good and safe working order and that all protective and safety equipment as required by law is provided
- they understand that bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards are brought and stored on College grounds at the owner's risk and the College will not be responsible for damage, loss or theft
- they understand there may be consequences for students who do not comply with this policy and procedures.

### *Students*

It is the responsibility of students to:

- demonstrate safe road rule etiquette at all times when travelling to and from the College
- dismount immediately before entering College grounds and walk their bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards at all times whilst on College grounds
- store all bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards in the designated locations using a suitable lock supplied by the student
- wear a correctly fitted helmet at all times when riding their bike, e-bike, scooter, e-scooter or skateboard.

## Policy

The College is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all our students, staff and the wider College community.

It is our policy that:

- students are expected to wear a correctly fitted helmet at all times when riding a bike, e-bike, scooter, e-scooter or skateboard
- bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards must not be ridden on the College grounds
- a designated storage location for bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards will be provided by the College
- students must provide their own lock to be utilised in the storage location
- the College is not responsible for any damage, loss or theft in relation to bikes, e-bikes, scooters, e-scooters and skateboards brought to, and stored on, College grounds.

## Procedures

Once a student enters the College grounds they are required to dismount their bike, e-bike, scooter, e-scooter or skateboard and proceed to the designated storage location where their bike, e-bike, scooter, e-scooter or skateboard will be secured for the day.

At the end of the school day, a student must walk their bike, e-bike, scooter, e-scooter or skateboard out of the College grounds. It is the responsibility of the student to safely fit their helmet. Once off the College grounds, the student can ride home.

## Breach of Policy & Procedures

Breach of this Policy & Procedures may result in:

- Restorative conversations with students as to why there has been a breach of this policy and procedures
- Confiscation of the bike, e-bike, scooter, e-scooter or skateboard for the remainder of the day or a lengthier period
- Conversations with parents/carers
- Referral to Victoria Police
- A ban on bringing the mode of transport to the College.

## References

[Transport Victoria – E-Scooter Road Rules](#)

[Transport Victoria - Bicycle Road Rules](#)

[Transport Victoria – Electric Bikes \(E-Bikes\)](#)

[Victoria Police – Electric Powered Scooters \(E-Scooters\)](#)