

# Buderim Mountain State School P&C Association

# **Student Representation Policy**

#### 1. Purpose

The Buderim Mountain State School Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) recognises and celebrates the outstanding achievements of students who represent the school through competitive sporting, academic, cultural or artistic pursuits. This policy outlines a framework to provide financial assistance for families whose children are participating in these high-level, school-endorsed activities, where there is a financial component (typically, a participation fee or levy, uniform cost, or significant travel requirement).

## 2. Guiding Principles

- Support is discretionary and dependent on the P&C's available budget.
- The program is designed to provide recognition and modest financial assistance, as opposed to full reimbursement.
- Applications will be assessed equitably and transparently.
- The program is intended to support individual and team representation aligned with the school's values.

# 3. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for assistance:

- The student must be currently enrolled at Buderim Mountain State School.
- The student must be representing the school or selected through a recognised pathway (e.g. Education Queensland).
- The activity must be in the domains of sport, academics, the arts, or cultural performance, and must have a competitive element.

• Written confirmation of selection must be provided (e.g. team list, letter from event organiser, or permission note).

#### 4. Financial Assistance Offered

The following financial contributions will apply per student, per calendar year:

Level of Representation	Contribution Amount
State event	\$150
National event	\$250
International event	\$350

- Maximum of two applications per student per calendar year.
- A maximum of \$500 per family per year applies.
- Team applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

#### 5. Application Process

- Applications must be submitted within 4 weeks before/after the event, and must be received in the same calendar year as the event.
- The application form must be fully completed and include:
  - o Proof of selection
  - o Summary of event details and costs (e.g. registration, travel, uniform)
  - o Signature from school Principal or relevant staff member verifying the activity
- Forms may be submitted via email or handed in at the school office.

## 6. Assessment and Approval

- Applications will be assessed by the P&C Executive or designated sub-committee.
- Applicants will be notified of the outcome within two weeks of the decision.
- Decisions will be tabled and minuted at the next scheduled General P&C Meeting.

## 7. Payment of Funds

- Funds will generally be paid after the event has taken place.
- Payments are made directly from the P&C to the parent/guardian's nominated account.
- Applicants must ensure all school fees and levies are up to date.

## 8. Annual Budget Allocation

- The P&C will allocate an annual budget for student representation funding, which will be subject to review each year at the AGM.
- If the volume of applications exceeds the available budget, the P&C may:
  - o Adjust contribution amounts proportionally
  - Prioritise funding based on event level
  - o Decline some applications based on timing and budget constraints

#### 9. Communication and Promotion

- This policy will be published on the school and P&C websites.
- Extra-curricular coordinators will be encouraged to communicate with parents/carers
  of students who may be eligible for financial assistance.

#### 10. Review and Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed every two years, or as required. Feedback from families, staff and the P&C will be considered during any review process.

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# **Student Representation Application Form**

1. Student	t Details
Stu	udent Name:
Yea	ar Level:
Cla	ass Teacher:
2. Parent/	Carer Details
Na	me:
Pho	one Number:
Em	nail Address:
3. Event Ir	nformation
Na	me of competitive event/activity:
Тур	pe of Representation and subsidy (tick one):
	☐ State event \$150
	□ National \$250
	□ International \$350
Dis	scipline/Field (e.g. sport, music, academic):
Da	ite(s) of event:
Loc	cation:
Co	ompulsory costs/fees: \$
4. Suppor	ting Information
	Proof of selection/confirmation attached Proof of compulsory costs (tax invoice/receipt)
5. Declara	ation by Parent/Carer
	the information provided is accurate and I understand this is a discretionary support governed by the Buderim Mountain State School P&C Association.
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6. Verification by School (REQUIRED)		
I verify that the above representation is for a school-based activity at a: regional / state / national / international level (please circle).		
Signature of Principal/Head of Department:		
Name (please print):	Date:	

Completed forms can be submitted to the school office or emailed to:

president@bmsspandc.org

Email: admin@bmsspandc.org Website: www.bmsspandc.org