

Hawthorndene Primary School

"Challenging and inspiring students to connect and contribute to their world."

Grievance Policy

Vision:

Everyone should be treated with respect and confidentiality should be maintained at all times.

We will promote a safe, respectful environment where confidentiality and support is valued.

Responsibilities:

Students

- Speak to the person about the problem
- Speak to a teacher, the Principal, Deputy Principal, Wellbeing and Inclusion Coordinator or SSO about the problem at an appropriate time
- If you feel uncomfortable speak to someone "who you feel comfortable with". This may by a friend or family member
- If the issue is unresolved, speak to your parent(s)/caregivers

Teachers

- Arrange a time to speak to the person concerned
- Allow reasonable time for the issue to be addressed
- If the grievance is not resolved, speak to your Principal/Line Manager or a nominated grievance contact:
 - OHS&W Representative
 - Union Representative
 - o PAC (where appropriate)
- Ask for their support in addressing the grievance by:
 - Speaking to the person involved on your behalf
 - Monitoring the situation
 - o Investigating your concern
 - o Acting as a mediator

Parents/Carers

- Arrange a time to speak to the relevant teacher(s) about the problem
- Let the teacher know what you consider to be the issue prior to the meeting time
- DO NOT enter school classrooms or offices about a major grievance without prior arrangement
- Allow an agreed timeframe for the issue to be addressed
- If the grievance is not addressed arrange a time to speak with the Principal or Deputy Principal
- If not resolved contact the Parent Complaint Unit 1800 677 435 or email education.customers@sa.gov.au.

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