

COMMON EXPECTATIONS

There is an expectation that all students attending Murray Bridge High School demonstrate the school's core values of Excellence, Respect, and Working Together. We aim to have a safe, inclusive environment, where students take responsibility for their actions.

Here are the guidelines we expect of our whole school community.

We encourage students to exercise common sense and self-discipline. Respect and courtesy towards others is expected at all times.

1. Parents/Caregivers will contact the school for a child's absence. The dedicated Absentee Hotline 8531 9555 is available 24/7 to leave a message.
2. All students are expected to be in school uniform while at school or at any official function, including while on excursions. Full details of the school uniform is on the school website.
3. All students are expected to remain on school grounds during the day. Written permission from a parent/caregiver will be required if students need to leave during the day, eg. for appointments. Students need to sign in and out at the Student Services Office if they are arriving or leaving school grounds during normal school hours.
4. The town and streets are out of bounds at recess and lunch time. A wide variety of food can be bought at the school canteen.
5. Alcohol, smoking, or the carrying of drugs, cigarettes, e-cigarettes or tobacco, matches, cigarette lighters or weapons is strictly forbidden on school grounds and at school functions. If students are suspected of being in possession of illegal substances or items the school may involve the police. If students are found with illegal substances the school is required by law to call in the police.
6. Metal rulers and aerosol cans of deodorant must not be brought to school.
7. Breakages and damage caused to school property by carelessness, vandalism and misuse must be paid for or replaced by the student or students involved.
8. Students may bring their own electronic devices to school but do so at their own risk.
9. Students can bring mobile phones to school provided they are used appropriately and switched off and away during lessons. Students are expected to take responsibility for the use of their phone as they would in any public venue.
10. We encourage students to resolve their conflicts in a manner appropriate to a workplace. We have zero tolerance for any act of violence and suspension/exclusion will result.
11. Staff supervision is provided between 8.30am and 3.30pm unless there is a school function.
12. Staff meet every Wednesday afternoon at 2.30pm for professional learning. The structure of each school day has been adjusted so that students have their full entitlement of teacher instruction per week. Students travelling on the Taillem Bend, Wellington and Mypolonga bus services will leave at 2.30pm. The town bus service will depart as usual. Students on other bus services can remain at school (under staff supervision) until 3.15pm.
13. We expect respectful language to be used by the whole school community.
14. If you have concerns about your student's progress, bullying or harassment your first step is to contact your child's Core Class or Subject Teacher. Staff will make every effort to respond within 24 hours. If you are not satisfied the matter has been resolved the next step is to contact the Student Pathways Leader or the Student Wellbeing Team. Grievance procedures (on the school's website) should be followed if you are unhappy with decisions made.