

Mount Lilydale Mercy College Bushfire Emergency Policy

1. RATIONALE

- 1.1. While the threat of bushfire to Mount Lilydale Mercy College (MLMC) property is unlikely there needs to be procedures in place should such a situation develop either at the College or at camp / excursion venues.
- 1.2. As many students travel on school buses to and from rural areas there also needs to be a procedure in place should there be bushfire threat along bus routes.

2. SCOPE

- 2.1. This document and the accompanying Implementation Guidelines apply to all staff and students.
- 2.2. The policy provides guidance and procedures for ensuring the safety of students and staff in the case of impending bushfire and on extreme or catastrophic bushfire risk days.

3. DEFINITIONS

3.1. Fire Danger Ratings



4. POLICY STATEMENT

- 4.1. It is policy that the College is prepared to respond to any threat of bushfire – to College property, to school bus routes and to venues of off-site activity. Procedures are in place to protect the safety of all students and staff.



5. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 5.1. The safety of all members of the College community is paramount and to that end the College will be fire ready.

6. RELATED POLICIES/DOCUMENTS

- CECV Bushfire

Version	Date Released	Next Review	Author	Authorised by:
1.0	October, 2020	2022	OH&S Officer	MLMC Advisory Council
2.0	August, 2023	2025	Director of Operations	MLMC Advisory Council

REVIEW HISTORY

Note: Implementation Guidelines is a separate document which outlines the procedures needed to implement the policy.

