

Rockingham Senior High School Detention Policy

Detention is given to students in accordance with Rockingham Senior High School's Positive Behaviour Management Plan for students as a disciplinary option used to address inappropriate student behaviour. Detention, applied as close as possible to the day of the breach of discipline, allows the school to provide timely support to the student to assist them to achieve the desired behaviour and to help the student to catch up on any work missed as a result of the breach.

At Rockingham Senior High School, detentions can be applied:

- During school hours at the discretion of the classroom teacher; and
- After-school hours on a designated school day.

Detentions will be assigned to support:

- Students being in class on time;
- Students providing adequate parental explanation for lateness to school;
- Students wearing the correct school uniform as agreed by the community and the School Board, and providing adequate parental explanation when they are not able to meet this standards;
- Students attending classes regularly; or
- Students consistently behaving inappropriately in class or in the school yard.

Only a member of the Senior Management Team may place a student in After School Detention.

In School Detention

Teachers can issue a detention to a student as a consequence for not following their classroom management plan. These detentions are to take place in a classroom at either recess or lunch time, at the discretion of the teacher. Teachers can issue the students with a detention slip, which should present at their detention location. When teachers have issued a detention, they are to record the details onto iScholaris.

Teachers must ensure that no more than 15 minute detentions are given at recess and lunchtime, to enable the students to eat or use the facilities.

After School Detentions

Detentions after school hours will be issued on Mondays and Wednesdays in the library for a maximum of 60 minutes duration from 2:45pm to 3:45pm. During the detention, students will be fully supervised and will be required to complete teacher set tasks. This includes a reflection sheet, and a workbook specific to the behaviour they have demonstrated to warrant the detention. Other activities students may be asked to complete include work provided by subject teachers and community service.

Protocols for After School Detentions

If the detention is to be undertaken outside of school hours, the following procedures will apply:

- A risk assessment will be completed and a risk management plan developed;
- Parents will be notified of the proposed detention at least 24 hours before the detention is scheduled to occur and have given consent;

- Parents will be consulted about suitable times for the detention to be completed within the parameters set by Rockingham SHS;
- Parents will be informed in writing of:
 - Location, times and duration of the detention; and
 - Their responsibility to arrange travel to and from the detention, where appropriate; and
- All After School detentions will be recorded in iScholaris and SIS Behaviour Module.

Until a parent can be notified and give their permission, the after school detention cannot take place.

Senior Managers wishing to refer students to After School Detention should follow the process as outlined below:

