



Drama Teacher

The Teacher has primary responsibility for the quality of student learning and engagement in the classroom. The role of the teacher as a professional with high order curriculum and pedagogical knowledge in the discipline he/she teaches is fundamental to this duty. The teacher also has an important role in fostering and maintaining an atmosphere of genuine pastoral care for all students and their overall well-being.

TEACHING & LEARNING

The Drama teacher is responsible for:

- Planning, structuring and sequencing teaching and learning programs for classes within the Drama Learning Area.
- Developing a culture of high expectations for all students by modelling and setting challenging learning goals.
- Planning thoroughly for each lesson and facilitating learning in a manner that nurtures and engages students, and enhances student outcomes.
- Selecting and implementing effective teaching strategies that are responsive to the learning needs of all students.
- Assessing student performance formatively and summatively in accordance with College Assessment Policy.
- Formally reporting to parents in accordance with College Reporting Policy.
- Communicating with parents, on occasions other than formal reporting times, when a student's performance, achievement, attitude or behaviour is a cause for praise or concern.
- Meeting deadlines set by the Head of Learning area/Coordinator and other members of the College Leadership Team.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

The Drama teacher is responsible for:

- Obtaining and maintaining relevant accreditation status as required by Catholic Education WA.
- Maintaining a high level of academic knowledge relevant to his/her teaching area.
- Maintaining currency of professional knowledge and skills, including curriculum developments, 21st century learning and effective pedagogical practice.
- Actively and collaboratively participating as a member of the Mater Dei College Professional Learning Community, and undertaking relevant professional development at a regional and system level.
- Engaging in self-reflection using the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers, and advice from colleagues to develop and implement a professional growth plan for continuous improvement.
- Seeking professional assistance when appropriate.

PASTORAL CARE

The Drama teacher will demonstrate pastoral care for his/her students by:

- Developing and maintaining positive relationships with students and families.
- Attending to the social, emotional, intellectual and spiritual needs of each student and the group as a whole.
- Ensuring that the teachings, values and practices of the Catholic Church form a foundation for teaching and learning.
- Treating students with the respect to which their God-given dignity entitles them.
- Exercising duty of care through effective, professional supervision of individuals/groups for which responsibility has been allocated.
- Emphasising and fostering self-discipline.
- Encouraging a positive attitude and positive behaviour in students.
- Ensuring that students are aware of minimum expectations in terms of behaviour.
- Facilitating a culture of restorative practice balanced with appropriate discipline when the behaviour or attitude of individuals and groups is not acceptable.
- Following relevant College policies and procedures including referring students to appropriate staff when necessary.



OTHER

The Drama teacher is required to:

- Be in attendance from 8.15 am to 4.00 pm and be available for a variety of staff meetings and professional learning community commitments up to 5 pm on nominated days.
- Ensure that the classroom and its resources are treated with respect by students and that the teaching area is neat and tidy when vacated.
- Demonstrate consistent and competent use of the College learning platform i.e. SEQTA and Leading Lights resources including CEWA 365.
- Carry out Homeroom duties in accordance with College Policy.
- Work in a collaborative and supportive manner with all staff, including members of the College Leadership Team.
- Attend to the pastoral care of colleagues (eg. communal worship, loyalty, social activities).
- Be actively involved in the co-curricular activities of the College.
- Support the sacramental, liturgical, ritual and prayer life of the College.
- Act upon professional advice when appropriate.
- Maintain appropriate confidentiality in all matters relating to the College.
- Complete relevant administrative tasks including reports accurately and timely.
- Maintain a manner of life which reflects an adherence to and support for the beliefs, teachings, values, and attitudes of the Catholic Church and stated Vision, Aims and Goals of Mater Dei College.
- Demonstrate a high level of professionalism consistent with the stated requirements of the College, including punctuality and standard of dress.
- Carry out practices within the faculty in accordance with relevant occupational health and safety guidelines.

CO-CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

- The position of Drama Teacher is involved in the coordination of the College Production held biannually and the annual College Awards and Presentation Evening.