KC ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND BEHAVIOUR POLICY

To achieve graduation from Year 10 at Kinross College into Mindarie Senior College, all students must achieve a minimum standard of a ‘C’ grade in English and at least four other ‘C’ grades at the end of semester two in Year 10 and must adhere to the College’s behavioural expectations.

Students who have a diagnosed learning disability are not bound by the academic aspect of this policy.

1. Academic

Students who wish to study an ATAR pathway at Mindarie Senior College (to be considered for University entry) need to achieve a minimum course entry grade from their year 10 course, in order to be eligible to choose the ATAR course in year 11; this is usually a ‘B’ grade in a related course. Please note that students must be enrolled in English (or literature) and at least three other courses to be considered an ATAR candidate in Year 11. However, most students would normally choose five ATAR courses at the commencement of Year 11.

Students will be informed, if they are at risk, at the end of Semester One. If they are not on-track to choose an ATAR course in year 11, they will obviously be given the chance to lift their grades by the end of Semester Two. Hence, students need to take their education seriously at Kinross College to keep the direct university pathway open.

2. Provisional enrolment at Mindarie Senior College

In liaison with Mindarie Senior College, students who fail to achieve the minimum academic standard (detailed in paragraph one) at the end of Semester One, will have their enrolment interview at Mindarie Senior College enacted as ‘Provisional’ until the end of Semester Two when their final results are known. Any student who still has not achieved the minimum entrance requirements will then be offered the options, as listed below.

The reasoning behind this strategy is to allow the most appropriate course selection for the student into Year 11 and to add some incentive to lift their educational efforts in Year 10. Students who wish to choose an ATAR course and have not achieved the pre-requisite “B” grade for that course, at the end of Semester One, will need to choose a ‘general course’ when completing the entry counselling for Mindarie Senior College. Depending upon their Semester Two results in Year 10, students may be able to gain entry into the ATAR stream at the end of Semester Two in Year 10 if their grades have improved. Mindarie Senior College will re-council any student, who, at that point after the Semester Two results are known.

3. Behavioural

Students, who consistently display poor behaviour during the year at Kinross College, or lack of commitment to their academic performance, have shown, in effect, they are not ready for the transition
to the senior years of education. These last two years are vital, and their grades will determine their future training, employment and career opportunities.

*Staff at Kinross College and Mindarie Senior College reserve the right to consider all cases on their merit.*

Students therefore, who do not meet either the Academic or Behavioural standards required for graduation from Kinross in Year 10 (and subsequent entry to Mindarie Senior College) may have the following *options* after consultation with parents.

1. Repeat year 10 at Kinross College
2. Seek Employment
3. Seek entry into State training providers’ course. (Formerly TAFE) or further education via alternative courses
4. Find an alternative school for year 11