



## Governance Statement

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StThomas the Apostle Blackburn is a school which operates with the consent of the Catholic Archbishop of Melbourne and is operated and governed by Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools Ltd (MACS).

MACS governs and operates Catholic schools in the Archdiocese to continue the mission of Catholic education to proclaim the Good News and equip our young people with the knowledge, skills, and hope to live meaningful lives and enrich the world around them.

Because the good work of educating the young is a co-responsible task led by every member of the Catholic school community, School Advisory Councils have been established to provide a crucial point of connection between the wider school community and school leaders. This governance model was designed to ease the administrative burden on our schools and parishes, allow parish priests to focus on the mission of education in the parish, enable greater collaboration between schools and ensure greater consistency in school policies and procedures.

More information about MACS is available at [www.macs.vic.edu.au](http://www.macs.vic.edu.au).

### Policy information

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Responsible director     | Director, Governance and Strategy |
| Policy owner             | Director, Governance and Strategy |
| Approving authority      | MACS Board                        |
| Assigned board committee |                                   |
| Approval date            | 25 March 2022                     |
| Risk Rating              | Extreme                           |
| Date of next review      |                                   |
| Publication              | CEVN, school website              |

| POLICY DATABASE INFORMATION |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Assigned framework          | Governance |
| Supporting documents        |            |
| Superseded documents        |            |
| New policy                  | New        |