



HIGH SCHOOL

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YEAR 12 LEARNING CONTRACT

Dear Year 12 2024 students and families,

Pennant Hills High School is very proud of our students and we are committed to the achievement of a personal academic best for everyone. Whether preparing for university entrance, or further study at TAFE or a traineeship, there is no doubt that the HSC is an important step toward these goals.

The Higher School Certificate is rigorous. It requires consistent application, determination, and an ability to manage your learning, both within and beyond scheduled lessons. In order to support you to achieve your best, we want to be specific about your rights and responsibilities.

As a Year 12 student of Pennant Hills High School, you have the right to:

- Respect from your peers and teachers.
- Equitable access to the curriculum provided.
- Clear information about what is required in terms of assessment tasks and examinations.
- Guidance about how to improve your work.

You have the responsibility to:

- Participate fully in the learning experiences offered to you, including study periods. This includes being punctual to classes, following all teacher directions, and refrain from causing disruption to the learning of others.
- Respect the rights of your peers and teachers.
- Be fair and honest in all aspects of your work.

As a Year 12 student, you enjoy a flexibility associated with study periods that other students cannot access. It is important that you follow the rules in this regard, as it is a privilege that will be withdrawn if it is abused.

The simple rules regarding study periods are:

- 1. All students are to attend the whole school assembly in the main quadrangle on Wednesdays.
- 2. On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, you may work at home until your first timetabled class of the day, and sign in on arrival.
- 3. On all days, you may leave school to go home to study directly after your last timetabled class of the day.
- 4. During all other study periods, you must come to the Library for your senior study lessons.
- 5. Make the very best use of these periods.

In short, you are permitted to come to school late or leave early if your timetable allows, **but you may not leave school if you have timetabled classes yet to come in the day**. This includes the lunch break. Naturally, all regular school rules apply while you are travelling to and from school during the day: you must wear correct uniform, and behave safely and respectfully at all times.

There are administrative requirements that you also need to fulfil:

- If you are arriving after the start of Period 1, you must sign in at Student Reception.
- If you are leaving early for TAFE, illness, or any other non-regular reason **you must sign out at Student Reception**. If you are leaving early because of a regular study period, you do not need to sign out.

Any students who are confused about what their timetable allows are advised to see Mrs Dennett, Year 12 Academic Adviser, in either the Library or the HSIE Staffroom for clarification.

Please to contact Mrs Dennett either by phone on 9473 5000 or email: jane.dennett@det.nsw.edu.au should you require any further information.

We would appreciate the prompt return of the attached Learning Contract, and we look forward to supporting you during your HSC year.

Yours sincerely,

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Ross Warren Principal



LEARNING CONTRACT

Place your signed form in the collection box at the Library desk or email to jane.dennett@det.nsw.edu.au

Student name: _____

I have read and understand the expectations set out in the Year 12 Learning Contract and I agree to abide by them.

I understand that study periods are an important part of my preparation for the HSC and I agree to participate fully in my learning.

I understand that any failure to keep these rules may result in the withdrawal of privileges and/or other consequences as outlined in the school's Code of Conduct.

Student signature:

Date: _____

I have read the Year 12 Learning Contract, and I support Pennant Hills High School in the implementation of the contract.

Parent/Caregiver signature: Date:

Please return this form to Mrs Dennett by FRIDAY 18 OCTOBER 2024