

STATEMENT

To ensure Hume Valley School provides a comprehensive and relevant Traffic Safety Education program from Prep to Year 12.

RATIONALE

Students are exposed to danger on the roads every day. School aged children use our roads everyday either as pedestrians, passengers or cyclists. Hume Valley School recognises that road and traffic safety is a critical life skill and is committed to supporting our special needs students to become safe road users.

AIMS

- To develop safe behaviour when travelling to and from school.
- To enable students to learn about their traffic environment and ensure their personal safety and the safety of others.
- To develop the skills, attitudes and behaviours for safe use on the roads and public transport systems.
- To encourage support from and involvement by parents and the wider school community.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Traffic Safety Education, inclusive of bike education, travel training and driver education, will be taught as part of a comprehensive curriculum from Prep to Year 12.
- As the majority of the students travel by DET provided school buses a bus safety program will be incorporated into the traffic safety education program.
- Bike Education will be offered to all students from Prep to Year 5.
- Students from Prep to Year 12 will participate in travel training programs to develop their safety and independence in using public transport
- Selected Later Years students will be involved in various bike rides e.g. SuperRide.
- Later Years students will participate in Driver Education courses as deemed appropriate.
- The school newsletter and Sub School assemblies will be used to highlight and reinforce elements of the Traffic Safety Education program.
- Traffic Safety Education professional development (including Bike Education) will be made available to staff.
- Funding will be allocated to the provision of Traffic Safety resources.

REFERENCES

“Kids on the Move” published by VicRoads 2006.

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www.vicroads.vic.gov.au

www.police.vic.gov.au

www.education.vic.gov.au/studentsafety/trafficsafetyeducation

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EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.

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