



Democratic Principles Statement

The Education and Training Reform Act 2006 sets out the legislative framework for the delivery of quality education in Victoria. The Act requires all schools to deliver programs and teaching in a manner, which supports the principles and practices of Australian democracy, including a commitment to:

- An elected government.
- The rule of law.
- Equal rights for all before the law.
- Freedom of religion.
- Freedom of speech and association.
- The values of openness and acceptance of differences and diversity.
- The safety of all children.

The programs of, and teaching at, St. Joseph's School will support and promote the principles and practices of Australian democracy.

All documents prepared by St. Joseph's School, including handbooks, policies and procedures, will also affirm the principles and practices of Australian democracy.