



## DINNINGTON COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL

### SCHOOL DETENTION POLICY

#### Rationale

At Dinnington Comprehensive School we encourage students to make informed and appropriate choices. We use an extensive range of rewards from verbal praise, merits through to reward trips to encourage student to make good choices.

From time to time, young people make the poor choices and school has to impose sanctions, including detentions.

#### School Detention System

Prior to the school detention system, faculties run their own systems of detentions which include detaining students at break and lunchtimes. If detentions are set after school then, as indicated below, a full 24+ hours notice will be given.

There are 3 types of Whole School Detention:

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| (a) | 30 minutes | For students who leave the site without permission  |
| (b) | 45 minutes | E.g. for students who fail to attend subject detentions or receive a Level 2 on-call (i.e. removal from subject area due to poor behaviour) |
| (c) | 60 minutes | E.g. for students who fail to attend a 45 minute detention  |

For all detentions (after school) 24+ hours notice will be given (in effect, this is nearly two days). This will be achieved via a letter and, if appropriate, a text message may also be used.

Students who frequently and deliberately fail to attend detentions may receive a one-day internal exclusion and will be required to attend the detention at the end of that day.

If a student is absent on the day of the detention, e.g., through illness, then they will be expected to undertake the detention on the day they return.

If parents wish to discuss a specific issue relating to a detention, they should contact the relevant Head of School.

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