

# Our Lady of Sion College **COLLEGE COLOURS**



## Affirmation Policy

At Our Lady of Sion College we want to acknowledge and affirm the goodness in all students. The College Affirmation Policy recognises positive actions within the context of Sionian values and encourages all students to reach their full potential.

To receive a College Colour within each category students must attain the requirements detailed in this brochure over the duration of the Academic School Year. The five categories of College Colours are:

- Sion Community Spirit
- Academic Excellence
- Sporting Excellence
- Contribution to the Arts
- House Involvement.

## Sion Community Spirit Colour

College Colours for service to the community will be awarded to students who have made an outstanding contribution to the building of community, both within and external to Our Lady of Sion College, attaining a minimum of 10 points. The student must have actively displayed the key elements of the Sion Charism such as passion, compassion, concern for social justice, reconciliation and an ability to reflect and discern what is right, with desire and energy to transform her community.

Students who are awarded Sion Community Spirit colours must be supportive of Sionian values and exhibit positive role modelling of College expectations e.g. uniform, attendance and punctuality.

Criteria for achieving Sion Community Spirit include:

- Providing an ongoing service that enhances the Sion community e.g. Friends of the LRC. 2 points.
- Assume a formal leadership role within the year level as endorsed by the Year Level Coordinator. 2 points.
- A member of a student committee and proven regular attendance e.g. Social Justice Team. 2 points.
- Involvement in local Parish activities as endorsed by the Parish Priest or Pastoral Worker. 2 points.
- Commitment to extra-curricular activities that reflect the College positively in the community, e.g. Hosts at Information Nights, College Tour Guides, Debating, Tournament of the Minds. 1 point.
- Involvement in a social justice action. 1 point.
- Involvement in preparing or leading prayer. 1 point.
- Presenting at a College Assembly. 1 point.
- Involvement in the planning of Sion Day. 1 point.

## Academic Colour

Academic excellence is acknowledged at all year levels at the College. Students are encouraged to achieve their full academic potential, with outstanding results in all subjects acknowledged. Academic Awards are presented to students Years 7–11 who achieve academic excellence. Vocational Excellence Awards will be presented to Year 11 students studying for the VCAL.

For the purpose of Academic Awards, excellence is defined as achieving an average of 90% or above in the subject on reported items at the time of nomination for awards. Academic Awards are issued for achievement across the year.

Academic Colours will be presented to students from Years 7–11 who have received an Academic Award in the following number of subjects at their respective year level:

- Year 7: 12 Academic Awards
- Year 8: 11 Academic Awards
- Year 9: 10 Academic Awards
- Year 10: 6 Academic Awards
- Year 11: 4 Academic Awards

Academic results that contribute to an academic colour close at a date deemed appropriate to the learning program of the College. Results entered after that date contribute to Semester Academic Reports.

## House Colour

Students must attain a minimum of 10 points to achieve House Colours. Events during the year offer 1 or 2 points depending upon the amount of effort and time required or the importance of the event. All students are expected to sign attendance lists at each activity and to check their House participation data on a regular basis to ensure that all contributions have been recorded.

- House Feast Day (attendance at Chapel and lunch). 2 points
- House Athletics, minimum of three events (athletic and/or novelty events). 2 points
- House Swimming and Diving, minimum of two events (swimming, diving and/or novelty). 2 points
- Theatre Sports. 1 point.
- Cupcake Competition. 1 point.
- Performing arts poster competition. 1 point.
- Short story competition. 1 point.
- Inter-House sports competitions. 1 point.
- Other House lunchtime events. 1 point.
- House Chess. 1 point.
- House Performing Arts rehearsals (minimum of 3 rehearsals attended). 1 point.

## Sports Colour

College Colours for sporting achievement will be awarded to students who have represented the College in four sports. Each sport equals the value of three points, thus the attainment of 12 points will ensure a student receives the colour.

## Arts Colour

### Contribution to the Arts

College Colours for contribution to the Arts will be awarded to students who have excelled in their participation within Drama, Music or Visual Arts, receiving at least 10 points in **one** of these fields.

### Music Colours

- The attainment of a Pass in an AMEB examination. 3 points.
- Attendance at 100% of optional year-long ensemble rehearsal. 3 points.
- Attendance at 100% of optional year-long ensemble performances. 3 points.
- Assumption of a significant leadership role in Music. 3 points.
- Demonstration of outstanding music skills in performance. 3 points.
- Demonstration of leadership qualities within music. 2 points.
- Optional performance at College, e.g. music soirees. 1 point per performance.

## Visual Arts Colours

- Visual artwork has been included in a College Publication, e.g. newsletter, brochure, etc. 3 points.
- Involvement in a Visual Arts activity at a level that is considered outstanding. 3 points.
- Assumption of a significant leadership role. 3 points.
- Participation in an extracurricular Visual Arts activity. 2 points.
- Visual artwork has been displayed in a College exhibition. 2 points.
- Demonstration of leadership qualities within visual arts. 2 points.

## Drama Colours

- 100% attendance at dramatic production rehearsals. 3 points.
- Involvement in a major dramatic production, e.g. a play or musical. 3 points.
- Assumption of a significant leadership role within Drama/Performing Arts. 3 points.
- Involvement in Drama or Performing Arts at a level that is considered outstanding. 3 points.
- Representing the College in an outside dramatic performance or presentation. 2 points.
- Demonstration of leadership qualities within Drama/Performing Arts. 2 points.





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