Values Education Good Practice

Key Elements from the *National Framework*

School planning

- Values education is an explicit goal.
- School values are made explicit with assistance from the school community.
- Values education objectives and outcomes are clearly defined.
- Regular review of practice against outcomes is built into school planning.

Partnerships within the school community

- Schools consult parents and carers, students and teachers about values to be fostered and approaches to be adopted.
- The local school community is involved in teaching the shared values that underpin Australia's democratic way of life.
- Schools involve the local school community in implementing and monitoring values programmes.

Quality teaching

- Teachers are skilled in good practice values education.
- Teachers are resourced and supported in their role as values educators.
- Teachers teach values in all areas of curriculum and school life.
- School leaders recognise values are integral to all key learning areas.

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Whole school approach

Values education is applied across all aspects of school life:

- school vision
- curriculum and co-curriculum provision
- organisation, structures and policies
- funding priorities
- decision-making arrangements
- welfare and pastoral care.

Safe and supportive learning environments

- Schools provide a positive climate to develop students' social skills, resilience and responsibility.
- Schools provide a supportive environment where students, staff, parents and carers explore their own values.
- Values education reflects good practice pedagogy.
- Values education is introduced at appropriate stages in student development.

Support for students

- Schools empower students to participate in school culture and to develop local, national and global responsibility.
- Schools use values education to build students' social skills and resilience.
- Values education is used to foster better relationships, personal achievement and improved student wellbeing.

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