



VALUES IN THE CURRICULUM

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CORE VALUES IDENTIFIED IN THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK AND THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S VALUES FOR AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLING

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WA CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK 5 CLUSTERS OF CORE SHARED VALUES

1. A PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND A COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVEMENT OF POTENTIAL

The lifelong disposition toward the quest for knowledge, as each person strives to understand the social and natural worlds and how best to make a contribution to these worlds. Each person is encouraged to achieve his or her potential in all respects and, through critical and creative thinking, to develop a broad understanding of his or her own values and world views.

2. SELF ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT OF SELF

The acceptance and respect of self, resulting in attitudes and actions that develop each person's unique potential — physical, emotional, aesthetic, spiritual, intellectual, moral and social. Encouragement is given to developing initiative, responsibility, ethical discernment, openness to learning and a sense of personal meaning and identity.

3. RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS AND THEIR RIGHTS

Sensitivity to and concern for the well-being of other people; and respect for life and property. Encouragement is given to each person to be caring and compassionate, to be respectful of the rights of others, and to find constructive ways of managing conflict. This includes the right to learn in a friendly and non-coervive environment.

4. SOCIAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

The commitment to exploring and promoting the common good and meeting individual needs without infringing the basic rights of others. This includes the encouragement of each person to participate in democratic processes, to value diversity of cultural expression, to respect legitimate authority, to promote social justice and to support the use of research for the improvement of the quality of life.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

The commitment to developing an appreciative awareness of the interdependence of all elements of the environment, including humans and human systems, and encouraging a respect and concern for Australia's natural and cultural heritage and for forms of resource use that are regenerative and sustainable.

- 1.1 The pursuit of personal excellence: Each person should be encouraged to achieve his or her personal best in all undertakings and to respect the achievements of others.
- 1.2 Domains of human experience: Each person should be encouraged to develop an understanding of all the domains of human experience; physical, emotional, intellectual, aesthetic, social, moral and spiritual.
- 1.3 Empowerment: Each person should be encouraged to develop critical thinking, the creative imagination, interpersonal and vocational skills, and basic competencies in the various forms of disciplined inquiry.
- **1.4 Knowledge:** Each person should recognise the tentative and limited nature of knowledge.
- 1.5 Values systems: Each person should have the opportunity to explore different values and the right to develop a personal value system.
- 1.6 Critical reflection: Each person should be encouraged to reflect critically on both the cultural heritage and the attitudes and values underlying current social trends and institutions.
- 1.7 World views: Each person should be equipped with the tools to critically examine world-views (both religious and non-religious), especially those dominant in his or her background and school community.

- 2.1 Individual uniqueness: Each person should acknowledge his or her own uniqueness and be encouraged to develop self-respect and dignity.
- 2.2 Personal meaning: Each person should develop a sense of personal meaning and identity, and be encouraged to reflect critically on the ways in which that occurs.
- 2.3 Ethical behaviour and responsibility: Each person has freedom of will, is responsible for his or her own conduct and should be encouraged to develop discernment on ethical issues and to recognise the need for truthfulness and integrity.
- 2.4 Openness to learning: Each person should welcome opportunities for learning from all sources, including the formal study of the learned disciplines; from investigations, contemplation and the cultural tradition; and from people of divergent views.
- 2.5 Initiative and enterprise:
 Each person should have the confidence to show initiative and be enterprising in his or her approach to life's challenges.

- 3.1 Compassion and care: Each person has a right to receive care and compassion and have a life of dignity, free from harassment and discrimination
- 3.2 Equality: Each person has equal worth and basic rights, regardless of differences in race, gender, age, ability, religious belief, political affiliation, national origin, citizenship, regional location, or economic or household status.
- **3.3 Respect:** Each person should respect those of different opinion, temperament or background.
- 3.4 Open learning environment: Each person has the right to a friendly learning environment free of coercive or indoctrinative elements, whether in the explicit or implicit curriculum.
- 3.5 Individual differences: Each person differs in his or her readiness and ability to learn and has the right to be given access to available knowledge at a level appropriate to his or her developmental needs and interests.
- 3.6 Cooperation/Conflict resolution:

 Each person should strive to work cooperatively and to resolve conflict peacefully while respecting differences and valuing the other person.
- 5.7 Family/home environment: Each person should recognise the importance of a secure and caring family/home environment.

- .1 Participation and citizenship: As a democratic society, Australia should encourage its members to participate in the political process and to contribute to community services consistent with good citizenship.
- **4.2 Community:** Interpersonal cooperation and social responsibility are encouraged.
- 4.3 Diversity: The richness of many cultural expressions is recognised, and diversity in the context of shared community life is welcome.
- 4.4 Contribution: Society has something to gain from every individual life, and should maximise the opportunities for all persons to contribute to the common good.
- 4.5 Authority: People should respect legitimate and just authority structures and the rule of the law, while recognising and observing human rights.
- 4.6 Reconciliation: Strategies of cooperation and reconciliation are preferred to coercion and confrontation, especially where groups or individuals are in conflict.
- 4.7 Social justice: The right of each person to a fair share of society's economic and cultural resources is recognised.
- 4.8 Responsibility and freedom: People have the right to choose their way of life, and are responsible for the impact of their choices on nature and other community members.
- 4.9 Benefits of research: Society should support the advancement of knowledge in all its domains, promote scholarship and research that promise to improve the quality of life and share the benefits as widely as possible.

- 5.1 Cultural heritage: The cultural heritage of Australia, including Aboriginal sacred and archaeological cultural heritage, should be respected and maintained.
- 5.2 Conservation of the environment: The management of the environment should take into account the need to preserve its diversity and balance for the future.
- 5.3 Sustainable development:
 There is a need to continue
 to develop natural
 resources to sustain human
 life. This should be done in
 a way consistent with longterm ecological
 sustainability and
 rehabilitation practices.
- 5.4 Diversity of species: Each person should recognise a need to preserve native habitats and arrest the extinction of presently-surviving native species.

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COMPARISON OF CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK OUTCOMES COMPARED WITH THE 9 VALUES FOR AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLING

Curriculum Framework	Values for Australian Schooling	Curriculum Framework	Values for Australian Schooling
CLUSTER 1. A PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND A COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVEMENT OF POTENTIAL		CLUSTER 2. SELF ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT OF SELF	
The lifelong disposition toward the quest for knowledge, as each person strives to understand the social and natural worlds and how best to make a contribution to these worlds. Each person is encouraged to achieve his or her potential in all respects and, through critical and creative thinking, to develop a broad understanding of his or her own values and world views.	Doing Your Best Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence	The acceptance and respect of self, resulting in attitudes and actions that develop each person's unique potential — physical, emotional, aesthetic, spiritual, intellectual, moral and social. Encouragement is given to developing initiative, responsibility, ethical discernment, openness to learning and a sense of personal meaning and identity.	Care and Compassion Care for self and others Integrity Act in accordance with principles of moral and ethical conduct, ensure consistency between words and deeds Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
1.1 The pursuit of personal excellence: Each person should be encouraged to achieve his or her personal best in all undertakings and to respect the achievements of others.	Doing Your Best Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence	2.1 Individual uniqueness: Each person should acknowledge his or her own uniqueness and be encouraged to develop self-respect and dignity.	Care and Compassion Care for self and others
1.2 Domains of human experience: Each person should be encouraged to develop an understanding of all the domains of human experience; physical, emotional, intellectual, aesthetic, social, moral and spiritual.		2.2 Personal meaning: Each person should develop a sense of personal meaning and identity, and be encouraged to reflect critically on the ways in which that occurs.	

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1.3 Empowerment: Each person should be encouraged to develop critical thinking, the creative imagination, interpersonal and vocational skills, and basic competencies in the various forms of disciplined inquiry.	Honesty and Trustworthiness Be honest, sincere and seek the truth (Implicit in interpersonal skills)	2.3 Ethical behaviour and responsibility: Each person has freedom of will, is responsible for his or her own conduct and should be encouraged to develop discernment on ethical issues and to recognise the need for truthfulness and integrity.	Honesty and Trustworthiness Be honest, sincere and seek the truth Integrity Act in accordance with principles of moral and ethical conduct, ensure consistency between words and deeds
Knowledge: Each person should recognise the tentative and limited nature of knowledge.		2.4 Openness to learning: Each person should welcome opportunities for learning from all sources, including the formal study of the learned disciplines; from investigations, contemplation and the cultural tradition; and from people of divergent views.	Doing Your Best Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence
1.5 Values systems: Each person should have the opportunity to explore different values and the right to develop a personal value system.	Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others	2.5 Initiative and enterprise: Each person should have the confidence to show initiative and be enterprising in his or her approach to life's challenges.	Doing Your Best Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence
1.6 Critical reflection: Each person should be encouraged to reflect critically on both the cultural heritage and the attitudes and values underlying current social trends and institutions.			
1.7 World views: Each person should be equipped with the tools to critically examine world-views (both religious and non-religious), especially those dominant in his or her background and school community.	Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others		

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CLUSTER 3. RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS AND THEIR RIGHTS		CLUSTER 4. SOCIAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY	
Sensitivity to and concern for the well-being of other people; and respect for life and property. Encouragement is given to each person to be caring and compassionate, to be respectful of the rights of others, and to find constructive ways of managing conflict. This includes the right to learn in a friendly and non-coercive environment.	Care and Compassion Care for self and others Fair go Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society. Respect Treat others with consideration and regard, respect another person's point of view. Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others	The commitment to exploring and promoting the common good and meeting individual needs without infringing the basic rights of others. This includes the encouragement of each person to participate in democratic processes, to value diversity of cultural expression, to respect legitimate authority, to promote social justice and to support the use of research for the improvement of the quality of life.	Freedom Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others Fair go Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for
3.1 Compassion and care: Each person has a right to receive care and compassion and have a life of dignity, free from harassment and discrimination.	Care and Compassion Care for self and others Fair go Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society.	4.1 Participation and citizenship: As a democratic society, Australia should encourage its members to participate in the political process and to contribute to community services consistent with good citizenship.	a just society Freedom Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others

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3.2 Equality: Each person has equal worth and basic rights, regardless of differences in race, gender, age, ability, religious belief, political affiliation, national origin, citizenship, regional location, or economic or household status.	Fair go Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society.	4.2 Community: Interpersonal cooperation and social responsibility are encouraged.	Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
3.3 Respect: Each person should respect those of different opinion, temperament or background.	Respect Treat others with consideration and regard, respect another person's point of view.	4.3 Diversity: The richness of many cultural expressions is recognised, and diversity in the context of shared community life is welcome.	Fair go Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society
			Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others
3.4 Open learning environment: Each person has the right to a friendly learning environment free of coercive or indoctrinative elements, whether in the explicit or implicit curriculum.		4.4 Contribution: Society has something to gain from every individual life, and should maximise the opportunities for all persons to contribute to the common good.	Freedom Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others
3.5 Individual differences: Each person differs in his or her readiness and ability to learn and has the right to be given access to available knowledge at a level appropriate to his or her developmental needs and interests.		4.5 Authority: People should respect legitimate and just authority structures and the rule of the law, while recognising and observing human rights.	Freedom Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment

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3.6 Cooperation/Conflict resolution: Each person should strive to work cooperatively and to resolve conflict peacefully while respecting differences and valuing the other person.	Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment	4.6 Reconciliation: Strategies of cooperation and reconciliation are preferred to coercion and confrontation, especially where groups or individuals are in conflict.	Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment Fair go Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society
3.7 Family/home environment: Each person should recognise the importance of a secure and caring family/home environment.		4.7 Social justice: The right of each person to a fair share of society's economic and cultural resources is recognised.	Fair go Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society
		4.8 Responsibility and freedom: People have the right to choose their way of life, and are responsible for the impact of their choices on nature and other community members.	Freedom Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
		4.9 Benefits of research: Society should support the advancement of knowledge in all its domains, promote scholarship and research that promise to improve the quality of life and share the benefits as widely as possible.	

CLUSTER 5. ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY	Values for Australian Schooling
The commitment to developing an appreciative awareness of the interdependence of all elements of the environment, including humans and human systems, and encouraging a respect and concern for Australia's natural and cultural heritage and for forms of resource use that are regenerative and sustainable.	Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
5.1 Cultural heritage: The cultural heritage of Australia, including Aboriginal sacred and archaeological cultural heritage, should be respected and maintained	Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others
5.2 Conservation of the environment: The management of the environment should take into account the need to preserve its diversity and balance for the future.	Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
5.3 Sustainable development: There is a need to continue to develop natural resources to sustain human life. This should be done in a way consistent with long-term ecological sustainability and rehabilitation practices.	Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
5.4 Diversity of species: Each person should recognise a need to preserve native habitats and arrest the extinction of presently-surviving native species.	Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment

COMPARISON OF THE VALUES FOR AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLING WITH THE CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK CORE VALUES

VALUES FOR AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLING	CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK	VALUES FOR AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLING	CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK
Care and Compassion Care for self and others	Clusters 2 SELF ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT OF SELF 2.1 Individual uniqueness: Cluster 3 RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS AND THEIR RIGHTS 3.1 Compassion and care:	Integrity Act in accordance with principles of moral and ethical conduct, ensure consistency between worlds and deeds	Clusters 2 SELF ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT OF SELF 2.3 Ethical behaviour and responsibility
Doing Your Best Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence	Cluster 1 A PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND A COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVEMENT OF POTENTIAL 1.1 The pursuit of personal excellence: Cluster 2 SELF ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT OF SELF 2.4 Openness to learning 2.5 Initiative and enterprise (Implicit)	Respect Treat others with consideration and regard, respect another person's point of view.	Cluster 3 RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS AND THEIR RIGHTS 3.3 Respect
Fair go Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society.	Cluster 2 SELF ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT OF SELF 3.1 Compassion and care 3.2 Equality: Cluster 4 SOCIAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY 4.2 Community: 4.3 Diversity: 4.6 Reconciliation 4.7 Social justice	Responsibility Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment	Cluster 2 SELF ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT OF SELF Cluster 3 RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS AND THEIR RIGHTS 3.6 Cooperation/Conflict resolution Cluster 4 SOCIAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY 4.2 Community 4.5 Authority 4.6 Reconciliation 4.8 Responsibility and freedom Cluster 5 ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY 5.1 Cultural heritage 5.2 Conservation of the environment 5.3 Sustainable development: 5.4 Diversity of species
Freedom Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others	Cluster 4 SOCIAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY 4.1 Participation and citizenship 4.2 Community: 4.3 Contribution 4.5 Authority 4.7 Social justice 4.8 Responsibility and freedom	Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others	1.5Values systems 1.6Critical reflection 1.7World views 2.3 Ethical behaviour and responsibility Cluster 3 RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS AND THEIR RIGHTS Cluster 4 SOCIAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY 4.1 Participation and citizenship 4.3 Diversity 4.4 Contribution
Honesty and Trustworthiness Be honest, sincere and seek the truth	Implicit in 1.3 Empowerment 2.3 Ethical behaviour and responsibility		158290 2.d

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THE CORE VALUES IN THE CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK NOT INCLUDED IN THE VALUES FOR AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLING

The 9 Values for Australian Schooling do not include the seven 'educational values' that are included in the Curriculum Framework core values. These 'Educational Values' represented in the Curriculum Framework include the following:

CLUSTERS	1. A PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND A COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVEMEN T OF POTENTIAL	2. SELF ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT OF SELF	3. RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS AND THEIR RIGHTS	4. SOCIAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY
INDIVIDUAL VALUES	1.2 Domains of human experience	2.2 Personal meaning	3.4 Open learning environment	4.9 Benefits of research
	1.4 Knowledge	2.5 Initiative and enterprise	3.5 Individual differences	
	1.6 Critical reflection		3.7 Family/home environment	

Reference

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