

Frequently Asked Questions About Minor Behaviours At Cranbourne Secondary College

What are minor behaviours?

Minor behaviours are undesirable behaviours that students may display when in class or in the school yard. These behaviours may negatively impact the students' learning or relationships with their peers and staff. Minor behaviours are able to be managed by a classroom teacher or a yard duty teacher.

How do teachers manage minor behaviours?

Teachers follow a series of steps to support students to display the expected behaviour rather than the undesirable behaviour.

- **1. Remind:** Teachers remind students of the expected behaviour. "Remember we participate in all learning tasks."
- **2. Reteach:** Teachers reteach students what the expected behaviour is. "When we are participating in our learning tasks our workbook/netbook is open and we are talking about the task or reading and writing to complete the task."
- 3. Provide Choice: Teachers provide students with the choice to display the expected behaviour or move to another seat/desk in the classroom or area of the school yard.
 - "You have a choice to participate in your learning task or move to that desk over there".
- **4. Reengage:** Teachers will support the student to reengage with their task or peers. "It's excellent that you commenced your learning task, do you need any help with it?"

Or

"Thanks for moving desk. Would you like some help with your learning tasks?

- **5. Conference:** If the student has not completed the expected behaviour after having received the above supports the teacher will conference with the student. The conference involves describing the problem behaviour, describing the alternate behaviour, practicing the expected behaviour, issuing potential natural or logical consequences and repairing the student teacher relationship (if necessary).
- **6.** Record: Teachers will record minor behaviours on Compass if they have reached the conference step of the above process. You will see this appear on your child's Compass profile.

What happens if the student displays the expected behaviour before the teacher reaches the conference step?

If a student displays the expected behaviour before a teacher reaches the conference step the student will resume their learning and the teacher will continue to teach the class. The classroom environment has returned to being safe and orderly. This helps teachers to teach and students to learn.

What does a minor behaviour record look like on Compass?



In a minor behaviour record on Compass you will see:

- The name of and a picture of the teacher who recorded the minor behaviour
- The time the minor behaviour occurred
- The location the minor behaviour occurred
- A definition of the minor behaviour

Should I discuss minor behaviours with my child/children?

Yes if you see a minor behaviour record appear on your Child's compass please discuss this with them. You can also assist with reminding them of the expected behaviours and reteaching the expected behaviours. For example if your child used inappropriate language in class you can remind them that we should speak politely in class. You could also look at our positive behaviour support matrix and discuss the safe, respectful and responsible behaviour expectations with them. The matrix can be found on pg. 5 of the student diary.