Mission Statement

ENTHUSED BY THE TEACHING OF JESUS CHRIST, THE MOUNT LILYDALE MERCY COLLEGE CATHOLIC CO-EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY AIMS TO FOSTER JUSTICE, COMPASSION, HOPE AND HOSPITALITY IN THE MERCY TRADITION.

WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO THE PROVISION OF A SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT WHERE EACH STUDENT IS ENCOURAGED TO DEVELOP A LOVE OF GOD, OF LIFE, OF OTHERS AND OF LEARNING.

INSPIRED BY CATHERINE McAULEY, WE VALUE:

SPIRITUALITY

- that has as its basis a love of God, knowledge and experience of the gospel values;
- that recognises the centrality of the Paschal Mystery – the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, on our lives today;
- that is demonstrated through our celebration of life, together with the teachings of the Catholic Church, the formation of loving relationships within the community, and participation in liturgical celebrations;
- which respects the dignity of the human person through a strong sense of social justice;
- which embraces a holistic learning environment;
- which reflects the Works of Mercy, Spiritual and Corporal.

COMMUNITY

- which nurtures self esteem by promoting respect for each person’s uniqueness, dignity and worth;
- that strives to be supportive for those who suffer and endure hardship;
- which is compassionate, honest, accepting, tolerant, just, caring and willing to listen;
- that provides spiritual, emotional, social and intellectual assistance to each of its members;
- that inspires and nurtures a stimulating and safe environment which accepts difference;
- which encourages a loyalty to a rich school heritage;
- that affirms the rights of individuals as well as their responsibility to the school, wider community and the physical environment;
- which recognises that ‘the quality of Mercy’ is unconditional.

LEARNING

- which recognises that the school’s Catholicity permeates all learning experiences.
- which offers a dynamic, challenging, rich and diverse range of learning experiences;
- that stimulates each student to strive for personal excellence;
- that caters to individual needs;
- which encourages a high level of motivation, independence, perseverance, initiative and creativity;
- that values a culture of excellence where personal responsibility and pride in performance will help students to reach their potential;
- which prepares students for a changing and challenging world;
- that embraces a formal pastoral care program and a wide range of co-curricular activities;

‘The tender Mercy of our God has given us one another’
(Mercy Constitution)