

## STATEMENT OF VALUES AND SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

### Mission

To provide a supportive and dynamic learning environment that challenges all members of the college community to perform to their personal best. We will promote an atmosphere of mutual respect, tolerance, understanding and cooperation. This will enable our students to thrive in a diverse and changing world.

### Core Values

The four core values for Western Port Secondary College are:

- ◆ *Community*
- ◆ *Achievement*
- ◆ *Respect*
- ◆ *Engagement.*

### Acknowledgement of Country and welcome to Western Port Secondary College

*I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land of the Kulin nation on which we meet and pay my respects to the Elders past and present.*

*Welcome to Western Port Secondary College.*

*I would like to welcome everyone to Western Port Secondary College. We acknowledge and respect the First Peoples of Australia and their connection to Country. We undertake to learn, respect and take care of the land, waterways and skies and the plants, animals and people within it.*

*Womin Djeka – ‘come with purpose’*

*We respectfully acknowledge the diversity, background and experiences of all people involved in our college – staff, students and visitors. We undertake to work together positively, productively and respectfully, irrespective of race, gender, cultural differences, religion, orientation or personal beliefs.*

*Thank you and welcome.*

Chris Quinn

Principal

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