

## **POLICY NO: 21**

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION POLICY**

### **Aims:**

To outline clearly and emphasis the importance place upon religious education in Moate Community School.

### **PROGRAMME SHALL:**

- **Reflect the Mission Statement of the school at all times**
- **Impart knowledge about Faith and Faith practice within major world religions – Islam, Christianity, Hinduism, Judaism and Buddhism**
- **Promote self esteem and a belief in the dignity of the individual**
- **Develop a language that helps students to understand and reflect upon religious experiences.**
- **Be inclusive to all students in the school community.**

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME:**

#### **AT JUNIOR CERTIFICATE LEVEL:**

- **Content of Junior Certificate Programme is as specified by the NCCA**
- **It is the policy of the school that all students will sit the Junior Certificate Examination in the subject.**

#### **AT SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION LEVEL:**

- **All effort will be made to offer all 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> years religion as an option at Leaving Certificate Level.**
- **Content of Leaving Certificate Programme is as specified by the NCCA.**

#### **AT SENIOR (non exam) LEVEL:**

- **All seniors shall participate fully in senior religion (Transition Year, 5<sup>th</sup> Year and 6<sup>th</sup> Year).**
- **The non-exam and exam programme will be formulated to try and avoid undue repetition for exam students.**
- **This programme is designed not just to impart information but also to contribute significantly to the spiritual development and formation of students.**

### **EVALUATION:**

**House Examination**

**State Examination**

**Religion Department Meetings**

**SDP Committee**