# **NSW Department of Education**



# School Behaviour Support and Management Plan

#### Overview

St Ives HighSchoolisacomprehensive, high performing school that engages students in academic, creative and sportingexcellence. We foster students' understanding of their responsibilities to others and an understanding of their inclusive school community.

St Ives Highiscommittedto explicitly teaching and modelling positive behaviour and to supporting all students tobeengagedwith their learning. Our community has high expectations of student behaviour. Our communityvaluesRespect, Perseverance and Growth. Staff modelling and school programs focus on the developmentofstudents' capacities to: reflect on experience; make informed decisions; set goals; and maximise theirgrowth.

At St Ives HighSchool, we have in place a comprehensive and inclusive Behaviour Support and ManagementPlantosupport student and teacher wellbeing. This is fundamental to achieving the priorities of providing qualityeducation for all, raising educational standards and achievement, taking responsibility for the care andsafetyofothers, and creating responsible and respectful students who achieve their full potential. Webelievethatall students, teachers, parents and community members have a right to be a part of our safeandcaringschooling community.

The principlesofpositive behaviour support, trauma-informed practice, inclusive practice, and social emotional learning underpin our daily practice. High expectations for student behaviour are established and maintained through effective role modelling, explicit teaching, and planned responses.

Our processes are founded on the idea that students must learn to take responsibility for their own actions and to ensure all staffrespond to these challenges consistently to support students to acknowledge harm and learn from their behaviour.

To achieve ourmission, keyapproaches and programs prioritised and valued by the school community are:

- RestorativePractice
- TogetherforHumanity
- The ResilienceProject
- ConsentLabs
- ElephantEd
- Raise YouthMentoringProgram

#### Partnership with parents and carers

St Ives High School will partner with parents/carers in establishing expectations for parent engagement in developing and implementing student behaviour management strategies by our Above Expectations positive reinforcement system, and our Level System for corrective behaviour practices.

St Ives High School will engage with parents in developing and implementing student behaviour management strategies, including for bullying behaviour by:

inviting families and student feedback through formal and informal means, for example, through, school surveys, consulting with the school's P & C Association and local AECG

using concerns raised through complaints procedures to review school systems, data and practices.

St Ives High School will communicate these expectations to parents/carers through the school newsletter, website and provide links to information and resources in the Behaviour Support toolkit.

# School-wide expectations and rules

St IvesHigh School has the following school-wide expectations and rules:

To be respectful, to persevere and to strive for growth:

Respect	Perseverance	Growth
<ul> <li>Obeys school and community rules</li> <li>Behaves and communicates respectfully to others</li> <li>Follows reasonable requests of all staff and others in authority.</li> <li>Takes care of their belongings, and those of others         <ul> <li>Is safe: respects and follows the 'no touch' rule;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Prepared for learning (including correct equipment with charged and operating BYOD)</li> <li>Keeps trying after making mistakes</li> <li>Attempts set tasks with the aim of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sets gains for personal best</li> <li>Collaborates with peers without hindering the learning of others. the</li> <li>Listens to and teacher</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Cares for their learning and physical environment; brings nothing to school that could cause harm, damage or injury</li> <li>Shows kindness; Respects difference/diversity/ rights and is inclusive.</li> </ul>	<ul><li>completion.</li><li>Submits tasks on time.</li><li>Attempts tasks commensurate</li></ul>	teacher to to to responds all feedback  Willingness learn
<ul> <li>Is accountable for their actions</li> <li>Remains within the designated boundaries/areas.</li> <li>Wears the full school uniform</li> <li>Interacts positively and respectfully with the wider community; contributes to the good reputation of St Ives High School</li> </ul>	with ability.  Participates with enthusiasm in school carnivals, excursions and incursions	<ul> <li>Attends     timetabled,     arrives on time</li> <li>Celebrates     achievements of     self and others</li> <li>Is a lifelong     learner</li> </ul>

#### Tocontribute to health and safety for all:

- Always communicate and behave respectfully towards others
- Line up safely and respectfully as required eg. at the canteen, for buses, outside classrooms
- Use bathrooms for the purpose for which they were designed
- Follow the No Touch school rule
- Power off my phone and store it in my bag while on school grounds
- Not use or be in possession of illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco, e-cigarettes/vapes or weapons
- Keep nails short and smooth; no acrylic nails
- Not wear large earrings; remove jewellery and tie back hair when participating in physical activity.
- Not wear a hooded jumper or jacket; hooded raincoats allowed in wet weather
- Dispose of chewing gum in a bin before entering a school building

- If driving to school, drive to the speed limit and park cars respectfully
- Use the pedestrian crossing when crossing the road
- · Obey road rules; ride bikes, skateboards and scooters in a safe manner and wear an approved safety helmet
- Walk my bike, scooter or skateboard in and out of the school grounds
- Use the bike bay provided and ensure that the bike, scooter or skateboard is adequately secured

#### **Behaviour Code for Students**

NSW publicschools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

The Behaviour Code for Students can be found at

https://education.nsw.gov.au/policylibrary/policyprocedures/pd-2006-0316/pd-2006-0316-01.

This document translated into multiple languages is available here: Behaviour code for students.

#### Whole school approach across the care continuum

Our school embeds student wellbeing and positive behaviour approaches and strategies across the care continuum and responds to behaviours of concern, including bullying and cyberbullying behaviour. Behaviours that do not constitute bullying include mutual disagreements or isolated incidents.

These approaches and strategies are built on a foundation of evidence-based effective classroom practices that set the tone for engagement with learning and respectful relationships. These practices include:

- explicitly teaching classroom expectations
- establishing predictable routines and procedures that are communicated clearly to students
- encouraging expected behaviour with positive feedback and reinforcement
- discouraging inappropriate behaviour
- actively supervising students
- maximising opportunities for active engagement with learning
- providing carefully sequenced engaging lessons that provide options for student choice
- differentiating learning content and tasks to meet the needs of all learners
- proactively engaging our student community in wellbeing practices to help assist them in becoming model citizens.



The care continuum is a whole-school system that can assist schools to adopt a prevention-focused approach and help to address the full spectrum of student needs.

The care continuum includes interventions for:

- → all students creating a safe and respectful learning environment
- some students providing early intervention and targeted support for students at risk of developing negative behaviours

→ a few students - supporting students with complex and challenging behaviour needs through intense, individual interventions.

Care Continuum	Strategy or Program	Details	Audience
Prevention/ Early / Targeted / & Individual	Restorative Practice	Promotes positive proactive strategies to provide opportunities to develop strengthen, repair and maintain fleating relationships.  Includes circles and restorative conversations.	Staffa students 7-
intervention	The Resilience	Promotes positive wellbeing practices to support mental health and positive behaviours	Year 7 2025
Prevention	Project	Students engage in social and emotional wellbeing	Tedi / 2025
Prevention	Together For Humanity	sessions, which are reinforced by staff regularly, including at year and wholeschool assemblies with a focus on acts of kindness.	Students 7-10
Prevention	Elephant Ed.	Focuses on interactions and the development of respectful relationships	Students 7-8
Prevention/Interv ention	Man Anchor Program	Addresses issues and stereotypes around men's mental health and masculinity ideals	Students 7
Prevention	Enlighten education	A program that focuses on building connections and developing student voice,	Students 9
Prevention	PDHPE curricum	The development of self-management skills enables students to take personal responsibility for their actions and emotions.	Students 7-10
Prevention	RAISE	Raise mentoring program offering early intervention mentoring as a preventative solution for targeted students	Students 8-9
Prevention	bstreetsmart	Promoting safe behaviour as drivers, riders and passengers  Targeted students visit a hospital to learn about the	All Year 10
Prevention	P.A.R.T.Y Program	effects of drugs and alcohol.  The toolkit resources are categorised into four elements:	Year 10
Prevention / Early Intervention / targeted / individual	Australian eSafety Commissioner	Prepare, Engage, Educate and Respond. The resources are used to engage with the school community about creating and maintaining safe online environments to prevent cyber-	Students 7-12, staff, families
	Toolkit for Schools	bullying incidents.  To increase parent's understanding of how our school	
Prevention	Communication with parents	addresses all forms of behaviour.	Staff, students 7- 12, families
Prevention	National Week of Action Against Bullying and Violence (NWA)	Our school participates in the annual (NWA) – Term 3 each year.	Staff, students 7- 12

Prevention	Transition Year 6 Foc	using on a safe and successful movement from	Incoming Year 7
Prevention	into 7	primary to high school.	students
	Peer support program	Builds resilience by helping students develop strong	Students 7 and 10,
Prevention	Student support	relationships and skills to manage life's ups and downs.	and coordinators
	officer		
Prevention / Early	Police Youth	Supports the implementation of the school's approach	Student 7 - 12
intervention	Engagement	to wellbeing.	Student 7 - 12
Prevention / Early	Officer	Supports positive student behaviour through annual	C. 1 . 7 . 42
intervention	Anti-Vaping	talks to year groups and individualised supports to	Student 7 - 12
	Seminar – Not Even Once	students to address concerns.	
Prevention/Interv		Addresses the health impacts of vaning	Students 7-12 and families
ention		Addresses the health impacts of vaping	Tairinies
Targeted / individual		The LST works with teachers, students and families to	Staff, individual
intervention	Learning and Support	support students who require personalised learning and	students 7-12,
		support.	families
Targeted	Check In Check Out F	or students who exhibit low level behaviours of	Individual
intervention	(CICO)	concern.	students 7-12,
Targeted	Leadership	These include Student Representative Council, library	S: 1 . 7.40
intervention	programs	and peer mentors and coaches.	Students 7-12
Individual	Monitoring	A period on a monitoring card to work towards behaviou	
intervention	cards/booklets	goals.	Students 7-12
Individual	Attendance	Address barriers to improve attendance and set growth	Students, Year
intervention	monitoring	goals. This may include developing, implementing	Advisor
		monitoring and reviewing behaviour support, behaviour	Students,
Individual	Individual behaviour	response	parent/carer, LaST, HT
intervention	support planning	and risk management plans.	Wellbeing

# Planned responses to positive appropriate behaviour, inappropriate behaviour and behaviours of concern, including bullying and cyber-bullying ldentifying behaviour of concern, including bullying and cyberbullying

Abehaviour of concernis challenging, complex or unsafe behaviour that requires more persistent and intensive interventions. A behaviour of concern does not include low-level inappropriate or developmentally appropriate behaviour. Bullying behaviour involves the intentional misuse of power in a relationship, is ongoing and repeated and involves behaviour that can cause harm. See Appendix

St Ives High School staff will identify inappropriate behaviour and behaviours of concern, including bullying and cyber-bullying through a range of channels, for St Ives HS:

- directly observing a student's behaviours, interactions, verbal communications, or work produced (such as written materials, performances or artworks)
- a person disclosing information that is not previously known, either because it is new information or because it has been kept a secret

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· concerns raisedbyaparent, community member or agency.

Students or parents can reportbullyingtoanystaff member. NSW public school principals have the authority to take disciplinary action to addressstudentbehaviours that occur outside of school hours or school grounds, including cyberbullying. Studentswhohavebeen bullied will be offered appropriate support through their year advisor or school counsellingservice.

Responses to all behavioursofconcernapplytostudent behaviour that occurs:

- at school
- on the way to andfromschool
- on school-endorsedactivities that are off-site
   outside school hours and offschool premises where there is a clear and close connection between the school and students' conduct
- when using socialmedia, mobiledevices and/or other technology involving another student or staff member, wherethereis aclear and close connection between the school and students' conduct.

#### Preventing and responding to behaviours of concern

- St Ives High School has a Level System to prevent and respond to behaviours of concern.
- Planned responses to behaviour that does not meet school expectations are either teacher or
  executive managed. Staff use their professional judgement in deciding whether a behaviour is teacher
  managed or executive managed. They should consider whether the behaviour poses a risk to the
  safety or wellbeing of the student or others. Teacher managed low level inappropriate behaviour is
  managed by teachers in the classroom and the playground.
- Executive managed behaviour of concern is managed by school executive.

#### **Teacher Managed**

Corrective responses by teachers may include:

- · rule reminder
- re-direct, offer choice or error correction
- . prompts
- reteach
- seat change/play or playground re-direction
- stay in at break to discuss/complete work/walk with teacher
- conference

detention, reflection and restorative practices

communication with parent/carer

#### **Level System**

St Ives High School has a comprehensive level system to assist teachers, executive members, and parents in managing student behaviours of concern. The following outlines this process:

# Level 0

Low level inappropriate behaviour	Preventative and corrective responses by teachers may include:
Including but not limited to:	<ul> <li>Will be provided with opportunities to reflect to develop strategies to selfmonitor and selfcorrect</li> <li>Modelling of respectful relationships</li> <li>Adjustments for individual learning needs</li> <li>Directing, redirecting and cueing</li> <li>Seating plans</li> <li>Enforcement of whole school and class rules</li> <li>Recess or half-lunch (faculty based) detentions</li> <li>School service eg. cleaning playground</li> <li>Informal, supportive conversations where form, function, and context of behaviour is discussed with student and strategies to self-monitor and self-correct</li> <li>Communication of concern to parent/carer</li> <li>May receive Level 1 warning</li> </ul>

# Level 1

Behaviours of concern	Intervention to support positive behaviours
<ul> <li>Including but not limited to:         <ul> <li>Pattern of arriving late to class</li> <li>Repeated disrespectful comments to</li> </ul> </li> <li>staff/students         <ul> <li>Back chatting teacher repeatedly Repeated</li> <li>refusal to follow teacher instruction</li> <li>Repeated disruption to learning Repeated</li> <li>breach of rules regarding electronic device/s</li> <li>Failure to attend break detentions</li> <li>Language or gestures that may offend, based on race, gender, religion, sexuality, disability or appearance</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supportive conversations where form, function, and context of behaviour is discussed between student and subject Head Teacher or Deputy Principal. Student Support Officer may also support. Target Behaviour Goals established,</li> <li>strategies to self-monitor and self-correct devised Detention and Reflection</li> <li>Close monitoring of student behaviour for two weeks</li> <li>Communication with parent/carer</li> <li>May be excluded from excursions</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Pattern of uniform infractions</li> <li>Failure to report to Detention and Reflection</li> </ul>	

# Level 2

Behaviours of concern	Intervention to support positive behaviours
Included but not limited to:  A pattern of Level 1 behaviours Significant class disruption Unsafe behaviour Repeated and persistent disobedience in the use of electronic devices Refusal to hand over electronic devices when directed Possession of cigarettes, vapes and/or smoking or in the company of vapers/smokers Harassment and taunting of others, including but not limited to offensive language Language or gestures that offend based on race, gender, religion, sexuality, disability or appearance Offensive behaviours Buying or selling of merchandise at school Continued failure to report to Detention and Reflection despite reminders and support for disabilities Persistent truancy	<ul> <li>Supportive conversations where form, function, and context of behaviour is discussed between student and Head Teacher or Deputy Principal</li> <li>Target Behaviour Goals established, strategies to self-monitor and selfcorrect devised</li> <li>Detention and Reflection</li> <li>Close monitoring of student behaviour for two weeks</li> <li>Communication with parent/carer</li> <li>Formal Individual Behaviour Support Plan may be developed May be excluded from excursions Student will be nominated to attend relevant wellbeing program, where available; support from Student Support Officer to achieve goals</li> <li>Formal caution to suspend may be issued</li> </ul>

# Level 3

Behaviours of concern	Intervention to support positive behaviours
Included but not limited to:  • An escalation of Level 2 behaviours  • Serious behaviours of concern • Computer network abuse	<ul> <li>Supportive conversations where form, function, and context of behaviour         <ul> <li>is discussed between student and Deputy Principal.</li></ul></li></ul>
Causing actual harm     or poses a significant     risk	Student will be nominated to attend relevant wellbeing program, where available; support from Student Support Officer to achieve goals Formal caution to suspend may be issued or student may be suspended from school

Level 4

Behaviours of concern	Intervention to support positive behaviours
<ul> <li>Included but not limited to:         <ul> <li>An escalation of</li> </ul> </li> <li>Level 3 behaviours         <ul> <li>Serious behaviours</li> <li>of concern Causing</li> </ul> </li> <li>actual harm or poses a significant risk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supportive conversations where form, function, and context of behaviour is discussed between student and Deputy Principal. Target</li> <li>Behaviour Goals established, strategies to self-monitor and self- correct devised, monitoring of behaviour and communication with parent/carer Individual Behaviour Support Plan will be developed Detention and</li> <li>Reflection Will be excluded from excursions Student will be nominated</li> <li>to attend relevant wellbeing program, where available; support from</li> <li>Student Support Officer to achieve goals Formal caution to suspend may</li> <li>be adjusted, issued or the student may be suspended from school</li> </ul>

StIves High School uses the following strategies and systems to explicitly teach, recognise and reinforce positive student behaviour and behavioural expectations:

Prevention	Early Intervention	Targeted/Individualised
Responses torecogniseand reinforce positive, inclusive and safe behaviour	Responses to minor inappropri behaviour are teacher-managed.	ateResponsesto behavioursofconcern are executive managed

1. Behaviour expectations are 1. Refer to school-wide expectations 1. Contact office to seek help from taught and referred to regularly. HT/DP straight away if there is a risk. Teachers model behaviours and Otherwise notify executive ASAP and provide opportunities for practice. before the end of the school day. Students are acknowledged for meeting school-wide expectations and rules. 2. Verbal and non-verbal specific 2. HT/DP/CT to take immediate steps 2. Use indirect responses e.g. positive feedback is paired with a to restore safety and return the Proximity, signals, non-verbal cues, positive, tangible reinforcer in a schoolignore, attend, praise, redirect with situation to calm by using appropriate wide continuum for acknowledging specific corrective feedback. strategies such as: redirecting to expected behaviour. another area or activity, providing reassurance or offering choices. Incident review and planning is scheduled for a later time, determined by the context and nature of the incident. 3. HT/DP collects information and 3. Tangible reinforcers include those 3. Use direct responses e.g. rule reviews the incident from multiple that are: reminder, re-teach, provide choice, perspectives to determine the next free and frequent moderate scripted interventions, student steps. HT/DP/CT to record incident on and intermittent significant and conference. Students have an Behaviour / wellbeing ITD system and infrequent Intermittent and opportunity to meet the contact parent/carer by email or infrequent reinforcers are classroom/playground behaviour phone. DP/P may consider further recorded on Behaviour / expectation before a low-level action for e.g. formal wellbeing ITD system. consequence is applied. caution/suspension. 4. Refer to the school's Learning 4. Social-emotional learning lessons 4. Teacher records on Behaviour / Support Team considering current and wellbeing ITD system by the end of the previous behaviour data. Other school day. Monitor and inform the actions may include developing a family if repeated. For some incidents, a behaviour support/response plan referral is made to the school's antiand/or completing a risk assessment. racism contact officer (ARCO) or antibullying coordinator. Teacher/parent contact Teacher/parent contact Teacher/parent contact Teacher contacts parents by phone or Parents are automatically notified Parent/carer contact is made by email when a range of corrective through the parent portal when HT/DP/P to discuss any support and responses have not been successful. intermittent and infrequent behaviour responses, including Individual planning and referral to reinforcers are recorded on Sentral referral to the LST school counsellor, be Wellbeing. Student awards for **Learning Support Team may** outside agencies or Team Around a discussed. School. positive behaviour are given at fortnightly year group assemblies.

# Responses to serious behaviours of concern

Responses for serious behaviours of concern, including students who display bullying behaviour, are recorded on Sentral. These may include:

review and document incident

- · determine appropriate response/s, including supports for staff or other students impacted
- refer/monitor the student through the school learning and support team
- develop or review individual student support planning, including teaching positive replacement behaviour and making learning and environmental adjustments
- detention, reflection and restorative practices (listed below)
- liaise with Team Around a School for additional support or advice
- communication and collaboration with parents/carers (phone, email, parent portal, meeting)
   formal caution to suspend, suspension or expulsion.

The NSW Department of Education <u>Student Behaviour policy</u> and <u>Suspension and expulsion procedures</u> apply to all NSW public schools.

#### Reporting and recording behaviours of concern

Staff will comply with reporting and responding processes outlined in the <u>Incident Notification and Response Procedures</u>; <u>Incident Notification and Response Procedures</u>; <u>Student Behaviour policy</u> and <u>Suspension and expulsion procedures</u>

Students and/or parents/carers can report cyberbullying to the <u>eSafety Commissioner</u> and reporting links for most sites, games and apps can be found at the <u>eSafety Guide</u>.

# Detention, reflection and restorative practices

Toilet andfood breaks are always included when students are withdrawn from the playground as a planned responseto behaviour. The maximum length of time will be appropriate to the age/developmental level of the student.

Strategy	When andhowW long?	hocoordinates?	How are these recorded?
Mentoring and coaching - Individual sessions for students to reflect on behaviour and set achievable goals to work towards.	Break time	Class teacher/executive	Sentral wellbeing module
Alternative break plan – withdrawal from playground during breaks and re-allocation to office/classroom for supervised breaktime following breach in behaviour. The purpose is to assist the student to achieve the desired behaviour, to reflect on their behaviour and make positive choices – individual or group (detention)	Recess (15 minutes) Lunch (35 minutes)	Class teacher/School executive	Sentral wellbeing module
After-school detentions – The purpose is to assist the student is to achieve the desired behaviour, to reflect on their behaviour and make positive choices – individual or group (detention)	3.15-4.15pm Monday or Wednesday	Executive staff	Sentral wellbeing module

# **Review dates**

Lastreview date: Day 1, Term 1, 2025 Nextreview date: Day 1, Term 1 2026

YES

Calm and engaged classroom Apply preventative strategies

Positive classroom climate, providing and teaching explicit rules, engaging lessons, active supervision, offering pre-corrections

#### Observe behaviour

Does the behaviour pose a risk to the safety or wellbeing of the student or others?

NO

NO

# YES

Teacher to inform executive staff and focus on safety.

Serious behaviours of concern

List strategies

#### Behaviours of concern

Manage it at teacher level.

De-escalate the situation by calmly:

List strategies

Provide positive verbal/nonverbal acknowledgement

YES

Has the behaviour stopped or improved?

YES

Speak privately with student

What will this process look like?

Speak privately with student

What will happen here?

Has the behaviour stopped or improved?

stoppea or improvea

NO

Is it safe for the student to return to normal routine?

NO

#### Consider additional supports

Identify and engage support(s) for the student to return to normal routine:

Refer to counsellor/wellbeing team, contact parents, conversation with teacher, refer to and/or revise behaviour plans.

Is suspension required for additional planning time? If so, consult with principal.

Is a mandatory report required?

If so, consult with principal and MRG.

# **Appendix 2: Bullying Response Flowchart**

Identify bullying behaviour, including cyber-bullying

Provide a safe, quiet space to talk and reassure the student that you will listen to them

•Let them share their experience and feelings without interruption

First hour: Listen

As a mandatory reporter, if you hold immediate concerns for the student's safety, let the student know how you will address these. Immediate in this circumstance is where the staff member believes the student is likely to experience harm (from others or self) within the next 24 hours.

- Ask the student for examples they have of the alleged bullying (e.g. hand written notes or screenshots)
- Write a record of your communication with the student and check with the student to ensure you have the facts correct
- •Enter the record in Sentral Dav 1:

Notify school executive of incident if required in line with behaviour management flowchart

- Notify parent/s that the issue of concern is being investigated
- •Gather additional information from other students, staff or family
- •Review any previous reports or records for students involved
- Make sure you can answer who, what, where, when and how
- Clarify information with student and check on their wellbeing
- Evaluate the information to determine if it meets the definition of bullying (see above)
- Make a time to meet with the student to discuss next steps
- Ask the student what they believe will help address the situation
- Engage the student as part of the solution
  - Provide the student and parent with information about student support network
  - Agree to a plan of action and timeline for the student, parent and yourself
  - Document the plan of action in Sentral
  - •Complete all actions agreed with student and parent within agreed timeframes

Day 4:

- Monitor student and check in regularly on their wellbeing
- Seek assistance from student support network if needed
  - Meet with the student to review situation
  - •Discuss what has changed, improved or worsened
  - Explore other options for strengthening student wellbeing or safety
    - Report back to parent
  - •Record outcomes in Sentral
  - •Continue to check in with student on regular basis until concerns have been mitigated
  - •Record notes of follow-up meetings in Sentral

Refer matter to the Learning and Support Team within 48 hours if the situation is not resolved Look for opportunities to improve school wellbeing for all students

Discuss

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