

Policy for the Safety and Welfare of Students with an External Provider

Rationale:

The purpose of this policy is to provide a framework to guide decision-making and action in the area of student safety when learning with an external provider.

Aims:

- To ensure that a proactive approach to student welfare and safety is maintained at all times whilst a student is engaged in formal learning.
- To clarify responsibility for student welfare and safety when learning with an external provider.
- To ensure that all parties the school, the student, the family and the External Provider understand their responsibilities and commitments.

Implementation:

- 1. The Principal will ensure that all external providers engaged by the school enter into a
 - Memorandum of Understanding which outlines:
 - \circ $\,$ the nature of the service or program to be provided
 - the details of delivery
 - the processes that are in place to ensure the welfare and safety of students whilst engaged in the program
 - the manner in which regulatory/compliance will be met by the provider
 - \circ $\,$ the responsibilities and commitments of the school, the external provider and the students
 - \circ the costs involved
 - dispute resolution procedures
- 2. The Principal will be the key contact person at the school for all parties associated with the external provider
- 3. Parents will provide written and informed consent for the involvement of the student in the external program
- 4. Any concerns or queries about the external program, the external provider or student welfare, learning and safety will be directed to the Principal

Evaluation:

• This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's four-year review cycle.

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