



**ROSTREVOR**  
COLLEGE

# Statement of Commitment to Child Safety

All children and young people who come to Rostrevor College have a right to feel and be safe.

We are committed to providing a child-safe and child-friendly environment where children have a voice, will be listened to and are able to actively participate in decisions that affect their lives.

The College has a zero tolerance of child abuse and other harm and is committed to acting in students' best interests and keeping them safe.

We are committed to providing the necessary resources to ensure compliance with all relevant child protection laws and regulations and maintaining a child-safe culture.

Each member of the College community has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role that they play individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all students is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.





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## How do we deliver on this Commitment?

To keep this commitment, the College maintains a Child Safeguarding Program that encompasses all aspects of child safety and is designed to create and maintain a child-safe environment and culture at the College. The Program has the following elements:

- **Child Safe Codes of Conduct;**
- **Clear information** as to what constitutes child abuse and other harm and associated key indicators of abuse or other harm;
- **Clear procedures for reporting** child safety incidents or concerns internally, and for responding to allegations of child abuse or other harm;
- **Strategies** to support, encourage and enable staff, volunteers, contractors, parents/carers and students to understand, identify, discuss and report child safety matters;
- **Procedures for recruiting and screening members** of the Executive Leadership Team, staff, volunteers and contractors;
- **Procedures for reporting to external agencies**, including Mandatory Notifications to the Department for Child Protection, and reporting to police;
- **Pastoral Care strategies** designed to empower students and keep them safe;
- **Strategies to support and encourage** the participation and inclusion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, students from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds and students living with disability;
- **Child Safeguarding training;**
- **The steps to take after a disclosure of abuse or other harm** to protect, support and assist students;
- **Guidelines** with respect to record keeping and confidentiality;
- **Policies to ensure compliance** with all relevant laws, regulations and standards;
- a system for **continuous review and improvement.**

## More information

The College's comprehensive Child Safeguarding Policy is available at: [rostrevor.sa.edu.au/policies.html](https://rostrevor.sa.edu.au/policies.html)

To discuss any child safeguarding concerns, please call +61 8 8364 8200 or email one of the College's Child Safeguarding Officers:

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**If you consider a child is in immediate danger, the police should be called on 000.**