

5.2 Pastoral Care and Guidance

Statement of Intent

Onslow College is a place where students feel welcome, affirmed and supported.

Board Expectations

The board's expectations regarding pastoral care and guidance are that:

- pastoral care of students is a feature of all teacher/student relationships
- additional support and guidance is readily available to students who need or want it
- students' emotional safety is a priority
- threats to students' physical and emotional safety are identified and addressed

Supporting Documents

The board expects that the following documents outlining management policies, procedures or practices are in the school. Where they have been developed by the school they will be regularly reviewed by management. These documents are available to the board on request:

- the management of traumatic incidents
- the identification, assessment, intervention and management of students at risk of suicide
- the confidentiality and communication of guidance and pastoral care matters
- guidelines for practice following disclosure of abuse
- job descriptions for guidance staff and deans

Delegations

The implementation of this policy is delegated to the Executive Group.