

BALLARAT ASSOCIATED SCHOOLS

COMMITMENT TO COMPLY



Dear PRINCIPAL

Ballarat Associated Schools Incorporated (BAS) is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. All children participating at and involved in BAS events have the right to feel safe and be safe. The wellbeing of our children and young people will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making. BAS has zero tolerance for child abuse.

To ensure your ongoing membership of BAS, member and affiliated schools are required to demonstrate their commitment to the legislated Child Safe Standards and confirm their school meets all the necessary standards as mandated by Ministerial Order 870, in the Education and Training Reform Act 2006, December 2015.

BAS requires that member schools ensure all staff and prospective volunteers, including coaches, any officials likely to have contact with students, including current students over the age of 18 years old, have a current WWC Check, have sighted and understand the BAS Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy, BAS Code of Conduct and the relevant obligations and reporting procedures, which needs to be signed off annually as part of the membership process. Schools, which do not comply with their legal obligations, will be found to have not complied with the BAS membership requirements and may cause BAS to end the school's membership that is in breach of its obligations.

BAS requires that member schools must provide adequate and active supervision for all students, from their school, engaged in BAS activities. Adults charged with supervision must meet the requirements outlined above and ensure both adequate and active supervision is maintained for the duration of that activity. Member schools are responsible for ensuring appropriate staffing is appointed to manage this. Officials, referees and volunteers, engaged by BAS, will not be charged with the supervision of students involved.

BAS member schools are required to nominate the appointed Child Safety Champion for their school. Details for this person shall be made available on the BAS website and published in the BAS handbook.

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I, _____ as Principal/Headmaster of
_____, can confirm that we have all

the necessary policies and procedures in place to meet the Child Safe Standards in accordance with Ministerial Order 870, in the Education and Training Reform Act 2006, December 2015. I understand that Schools which do not comply with their legal obligations will be found to have not complied with the BAS membership requirements and may cause BAS to end the schools' membership that is in breach of its obligations.

Signed: _____ Principal/Headmaster

Date: _____

Signed: _____ Head of Sport

Date: _____