Obligations of Guardianship for International Students

Only a parent or person who has legal custody of the student can nominate a guardian for that student.

Eligibility

The person accepting the role of guardianship is required to:

- Be over 21 years of age, be comfortable conversing in English and reside in Melbourne, Australia whilst the student is at Lauriston Girls' School
- Provide evidence of a Working with Children Check
- Must be of good character and have permission to reside in Australia until the student has completed their course
- Provide documentary evidence from the parent of the student of his/her guardianship by completing the Appointment of Guardianship form and completing a Working with Children Check

General Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the Guardian include:

- Regular contact with both the student and her parents
- Notifying the School of student absences
- Acting on the parents’ behalf in dealings with the School
- Being readily available to discuss matters of concern
- Attending School functions and events that concern the Student, such as information briefings, parent/teacher interviews or guardian meetings
- Being readily available to support the student when needed for example with health matters, medical emergencies, travel and accommodation arrangements during holidays
- Being actively involved in the wellbeing of the student through, for example, invitations to meals
- Showing an interest in, and monitoring the academic progress of the student
- Informing the School of an appropriate guardian's proxy when the guardian is unavailable for any reason. If the guardian needs to leave Melbourne for a short duration, i.e. four weeks or less, a ‘proxy’ guardian must be nominated. For absences longer than one month, a new guardian must be appointed.

A student’s enrollment at the School is dependent on compliance with these items and conditions.

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