

Radiant Life College: Childsafe Resources

Our Commitment to The 10 Child Safe Standards and the Universal Principle

At Radiant Life College, we are wholeheartedly committed to creating and maintaining a child-safe and nurturing environment where every child is valued, respected, and protected. As a Christian learning community, we uphold the dignity and rights of all children. We work together with families, staff, and the wider community to ensure every student feels heard, safe, and supported. We are committed to upholding and implementing the 10 Child Safe Standards and Universal Principle, ensuring that Radiant Life College is an environment that makes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people feel culturally safe, welcome, valued, included and respected.

We believe that children have the right to speak up and be listened to. We actively look for ways to empower them to have a voice in their own safety and wellbeing. Our staff are trained to recognise signs of abuse and neglect, and we are committed to taking immediate and appropriate action when concerns arise. If there is an immediate risk to any person, especially a child, we will contact police or the relevant authority without delay.

Every adult at Radiant Life College, whether staff member, volunteer, or visitor, is expected to uphold the highest standards of care and protection. We have clearly defined policies and procedures to minimise risk and foster a culture where safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Our Innisfail campus has Student Protection Contacts, who are trusted adults students can turn to if they feel unsafe or are concerned about someone's behaviour.

We carefully plan and review all activities involving children. We assess and manage risks to ensure student safety. Open communication is encouraged, and we welcome feedback from students, parents, and staff about how our safeguarding practices can be improved.

Any concerns, suspicions, or allegations (whether current or historic) will be handled with sensitivity, respect, and urgency. We follow our legal obligations and our Complaints Handling Policy to ensure an effective response. Regular reviews and audits of our safeguarding practices help us stay vigilant and strive for continuous improvement.

At Radiant Life College, we listen to the voices of children. Their safety and wellbeing are central to everything we do.

Legal Responsibilities

Everyone in our community has a role in keeping children safe. The following laws are especially important to understand:

- **Failure to Report Offence:** All adults must report known or suspected sexual offences against children to the police unless there is a reasonable excuse (such as the offence having already been reported).
- **Failure to Protect Offence:** Adults in institutions such as schools must take reasonable steps to protect children from the risk of sexual offences. Wilful or negligent failure to do so can result in criminal charges.

These laws are designed to ensure that child sexual abuse is never ignored or hidden. Adults must act to protect children from harm.





Resources and Support

The following services are available to provide advice, support, and information for children, young people, and families:

- Victim Assist Queensland – Support and financial assistance for victims of crime. [Visit Victim Assist Queensland](#)
- Kids Helpline – 1800 55 1800 – Free, confidential 24/7 counselling for children and young people. kidshelpline.com.au
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Family Wellbeing Services – Support for families to stay strong and keep children safe. [Learn more](#)
- Legal Aid Queensland – Free legal information, advice, and representation. [Legal Aid Queensland](#)
- Bravehearts – Counselling and support for children and families impacted by sexual abuse. [Bravehearts](#)
- Queensland Family & Child Commission (QFCC) – Information and advocacy on child safety and wellbeing. [QFCC](#)
- Child Safety Services – Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs. [Child Safety Contacts](#)
- Family and Child Connect – Local community-based support services for families. [Family and Child Connect](#)
- Office of the eSafety Commissioner – Support for online safety and dealing with cyberbullying. [eSafety Commissioner](#)

Additional resources

- Queensland Police – [Child Protection Information](#)
- Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse – [Final Report](#)
- If you have any concerns, questions, or need to report an issue, please contact our Student Protection Contacts or the school administration team.

Our full policies and procedures are available here: - [Policies & Procedures](#)

At Radiant Life College, every child is safe, valued, and empowered.

