



WESLEY COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

HOSTEL RELATIONSHIPS

RATIONALE

Wesley College is committed to promoting positive relationships based on Special Character obligations that the College "aims to provide a school at which all [ethnic groups] can receive their education and learn to live and work together in harmony" and the Methodist ethos.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the implementation of Regulation 55 of the Education (Hostels) Regulations 2005.

POLICY GUIDELINES

1. Every boarder shall be
 - a. treated with respect and dignity;
 - b. given positive guidance promoting appropriate behaviour, having regard to the boarder's stage of development; and
 - c. given positive guidance by the use of praise and encouragement and the avoidance of blame, harsh language, and belittling or degrading responses.
2. When being given direction and guidance boarders are not to be treated to any form of discrimination (including favouritism or antipathy), physical ill-treatment, solitary confinement, or deprivation of food, drink, warmth, shelter, privacy, or protection.
3. The non-violence ethos of Wesley College shall be regularly reinforced.
4. Physical restraint of a boarder may only be used as a last resort in circumstances where the boarder's actions are endangering the immediate safety of the boarder or (an) other boarder(s). Any such action is to be reported immediately to the Director of Boarding and a written report submitted to the Principal as soon as practicable.
5. Where a staff member suspects that a boarder is experiencing abuse, harassment or serious neglect the staff member is referred to the Reporting Child Abuse Policy.

Reference: Wesley College Disciplinary Procedures.
Abuse, Harassment or Neglect of Boarders Policy

This policy was adopted by the Wesley College Hostel Council on 3 June 2021.

This policy will be reviewed on or before the June Wesley College Hostel Council meeting 2024.

Signed: Colin Telford
Chairperson

3 June 2021