



Child Protection Policy

Approved by the EREA Board 10 December 2013

- Rationale:** EREA is committed to ensuring that all children who are a part of the EREA Network are safe and valued members of their school communities.
- Principles:** This policy is in accord with the EREA Charter and underpinned by EREA core values. EREA endorses the MCEECDYA *Educational Goals for Young Australians* and *The National Safe Schools Framework*. EREA complies with all child protection legislation applicable in its schools and entities.
- Policy Statement:** EREA is committed to ensuring that all practicable, reasonable precautions are taken to prevent harm to children i.e. persons below 18 years of age.
- Key Responsibilities:** The Executive Director will ensure that sound governance and management practices are applied and that EREA meets acceptable standards in relation to the protection of children. The Executive Director will ensure that all who have the delegated responsibility to employ in EREA, screen employees in accord with relevant state or territory legislated requirements.
- Review:** Consideration will be given every 2 years to determine if this policy requires review earlier than 2017.
- Related Information:** The MCEECDYA *Educational Goals for Young Australians (2008)*.
The Federal Government's *National Safe Schools Framework (200)*.
The United Nations *Declaration of the Rights of the Child*