



International School Study Tour

Code of Conduct for Teachers

This information sets out the level of expectation for teachers when participating in international School Study Tours (SST) approved by the Department of Education (DoE).

All participants must understand these standards apply to them during the entire duration of the tour, including evenings and weekends. Supervising teachers and volunteers are responsible for student safety and welfare for the entire tour.

Teachers participating in an SST, should read and understand the *Code of Conduct for the Queensland Public Service* and the DoE supporting document, *Standard of Practice*.

Section 1.5 of the DoE *Standard of Practice* contains important specific information regarding employee fitness for duty and the responsibilities around protecting students from harm.

As a participant in the SST, supervising teachers need to:

- be aware that the *Code of Conduct for the Queensland Public Service* continues to apply to staff members while on the SST;
- consider the international SST as part of the school program and the same duty of care by staff to students that applies at school, will also apply on the SST;
- recognise the safety of students in your care is paramount;
- maintain a safe and respectful learning environment for all students participating in the SST;
- encourage student participation in all activities;
- provide a model of good behaviour for the students;
- maintain positive relationships with volunteers participating in the SST regarding the students' learning, wellbeing and behaviour;
- be courteous and constructive in communicating with hosts, students and volunteers; and
- be considerate of the general public at all times and respect local customs and values.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have read and understood the *Code of Conduct for the Queensland Public Service* and the DoE supporting document, *Standard of Practice* and am aware of the consequences for any breaches that occur during the international SST.

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

School: _____ **Date:** _____

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