

WORKPLACE LEARNING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROCEDURES

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These procedures must be read in conjunction with the <u>Duty of Care for Public School</u> Students Policy.

1 POLICY SUPPORTED

Duty of Care for Public School Students Policy

2 SCOPE

These procedures apply to all principals and/or school staff nominated by the principal in public schools.

3 PROCEDURES

3.1 WORKPLACE LEARNING

The principal and/or school staff nominated by the principal must:

- confirm that a workplace learning management plan is developed to manage the students' engagement with the workplace.
- nominate one or more employees as the workplace learning coordinator(s) to:
 - identify workplace learning opportunities that are consistent with and responsive to the needs and aspirations of students and their families.
 - respond to feedback to determine placements are inclusive, culturally safe, and (culturally) responsive to all, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, culturally and linguistically diverse students, and students with disabilities
 - respond to feedback from students and families to determine whether placements are made in a culturally responsive and culturally safe work environment
 - complete the Workplace Learning Management Plan (Appendix A).
 - monitor the implementation of the Workplace Learning Management Plan.
 - monitor student wellbeing, engagement and achievement.
 - monitor students' progress, where student assessment is part of the workplace experience.
 - liaise with the employer providing the placement and with the student's family/caregiver.
 - complete and retain the Student Placement Record for each student placement to support workplace learning implementation (Appendix B).
 - confirm that the family/caregiver sights and signs the relevant completed documentation for the Student Placement Record (Appendix B) or that the documentation identified in Appendix C is collated and retained for School Based Trainees or Apprentices.
 - provide the family/caregiver with the relevant insurance information for the type of placement (Appendix D).
 - collect and retain the Certificate of Currency for the host employer's public liability insurance for reporting purposes.
 - supervise the student's work placement by means of scheduled visits and phone and/or email contacts with the workplace.
- confirm any duties undertaken that relate to teaching and learning, and curriculum activities are undertaken by one or more teachers.

 communicate to the family/caregiver their responsibilities for workplace learning activities which fall outside of the direct control of the schools.

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Guidance

See the <u>Workplace Learning Guidelines</u> for more information. (staff only)

4 DEFINITIONS

CERTIFICATE OF CURRENCY

A document issued by an insurance company or broker confirming a current policy is in place for the sums insured as at the date the certificate was issued.

CULTURAL RESPONSIVENESS

The ability to understand, interact and communicate effectively and sensitively with people from a cultural background that is different from one's own. It is characterised by respect for culture, ongoing self-reflection, expansion of knowledge and commitment to improving practices and relationships, and is responsive to the diverse needs, backgrounds, experiences and knowledge of all students.

CULTURAL SAFETY

Is determined by Aboriginal people and experienced when they are in environments and relationships where they do not experience racism in any form and their:

- presence is welcomed and respected
- experiences are believed and validated
- cultures are centred and valued
- knowledges and skills are recognised and supported
- advice is listened to and acted upon.

DUTY OF CARE

A duty imposed by law to take reasonable care to minimise the risk of harm to another.

EXTERNAL AGENCY

A business, organisation or individual with which the Department of Education, principal or their nominee has negotiated provision of a workplace learning service and/or expertise appropriate to a particular school activity.

FAMILY/CAREGIVER

A person who has legal responsibility for the care and welfare of the child.

HOST EMPLOYER

The person/organisation who has control of the workplace in which a workplace learning student is placed. A host employer may be the proprietor of the business or may manage the workplace on behalf of the proprietor. In some cases (for example School Based Apprenticeships/Traineeships), the host employer may also employ the student in the usual sense of the word.

INDEPENDENT MINORS

Students under 18 years of age living independently whom the principal decides (under Regulation 147 of the *School Education Regulations 2000*) may sign their own consent forms.

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MINOR

A person under the age of 18 years.

NOMINATED PERSON

School staff or regional office staff nominated by the principal including workplace learning officers, workplace learning coordinators, VET coordinators, teachers, regional VET coordinators, engagement and transition managers and Directors of Education.

SCHOOL-BASED TRAINEESHIPS AND APPRENTICESHIPS

A structured paid employment-based training program that leads to school-based apprentices or school-based trainees gaining a nationally recognised qualification. School-based apprenticeship and traineeships are part-time and subject to conditions stipulated on the *Register of Class A and B qualifications* (Department of Training and Workforce Development).

SUPERVISOR

School staff nominated by the principal with the official task of overseeing the provision of the workplace learning program.

SUPERVISORY TEAM

School staff nominated by the principal with the official task of overseeing the school's workplace learning program.

VENUE

The facilities at which planned training, workplace learning, outdoor or recreational activity occurs.

WORKPLACE

A place where work is carried out for a business or undertaking and includes any place where a worker goes or is likely to go while at work.

WORKPLACE LEARNING

The placement of a student in a work environment as part of work experience, work shadowing, or an accredited Workplace Learning program.

WORKPLACE LEARNING COORDINATOR

A role carried out by any employee pursuant to section 235 of the *School Education Act 1999* or the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*, who is nominated by the principal to coordinate workplace learning for students enrolled in school-based programs. This role exists even if an external agency provides a workplace learning program service for the school.

WORK READINESS

The assessment of a student's readiness is made in the context of the outcomes to be achieved and the nature of the work placement. It is demonstrated by students having a positive attitude towards learning in a workplace environment and making an honest commitment to the experience. Work readiness may also include the student having met the legislative compliance requirements, such as permissions and licences, required by particular industries.

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WORKPLACE SUPERVISOR

An employee of a host workplace who acts in a designated supervisory capacity for the student(s) engaged in workplace learning at that site.

5 RELATED DOCUMENTS

Relevant legislation or authority

Children and Community Services Amendment Act 2008

Disability Discrimination Act 1992

Equal Opportunity Act 1984 (WA)

Public Sector Management Act 1994 (WA)

School Curriculum and Standards Authority Act 1997 (WA)

School Education Act 1999 (WA)

School Education Act Employees' (Teachers and Administrators) General

Agreement 2021

School Education Regulations 2000 (WA)

Volunteers (Protection from Liability) Act 2002 (WA)

Vocational Education and Training (General) Regulations (WA) 2009

Vocational Education and Training Act 1996

Teacher Registration Act 2012 (WA)

Work Health and Safety (General) Regulations 2022

Work Health and Safety Act 2020 (WA)

Workers Compensation and Injury Management Act 2023 (WA)

Working with Children (Screening) Act 2004 (WA)

Related Department policies

Code of Conduct and Standards

Child Protection in Department of Education Sites

Curriculum Assessment and Reporting in Public Schools

Incident Management on Department of Education Sites

Excursions in Public Schools

Records Management

Risk and Business Continuity Management

Staff Conduct and Discipline

Student Attendance in Public Schools

Student Behaviour in Public Schools

Student Drivers on Western Australian College of Agriculture and Farm Based

Public School Sites Procedures

Student Health Care in Public Schools

Visitors and Intruders on Public School Premises

Work Health and Safety Working With Children Checks in Public Schools

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6 REVIEW DATE

28 April 2028

7 HISTORY OF CHANGES

Effective date	Last update date	Policy version no.	Ref no.	Notes
1 January 2019		1.0	D18/0279556	These new procedures support the Duty of Care for Public School Students policy that replaces the Outdoor Education and Recreation Activities for Public Schools, Duty of Care VET for School Students Attending TAFEWA Colleges from Public Schools and Workplace Learning for Public School policies. Endorsed by the Director General at Corporate Executive on 9 August 2018.
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28 April 2025	28 April 2025	2.1	D25/0330940	Minor changes approval D25/0330360

APPENDIX A. WORKPLACE LEARNING (WPL) MANAGEMENT PLAN

STUDENT(S) INFORMATION							
School							
Student(s)							
Contact phone							
Contact email							
SCHOOL INFO	RMA	ATION					
WPL coordinator	ſ						
Contact details							
VET coordinator							
Contact details							
Types of workplace		ADWPL Course (SCSA)		Work experie	ence		Work shadowing
learning program		Part of a VET program	SBT/SBA/ASBT/PAIS			Other (e.g. Internship)	
Placement dates	3						
HOST EMPLOY	ER \	WORKPLACE DE	TAI	LS			
Workplace name)						
Workplace supervisor							
Position							
Contact details							
SUPERVISOR/S	UPE	ERVISORY TEAM	1 DE	TAILS			
Supervisor name	9						
Position							
Contact phone		Contact mobile					
Contact email							
SCHOOL EMER	GEN	NCY CONTACT D)ET#	AILS			
Name							
Position							
Contact details							

PURPOSE
Workplace Learning Program (see Workplace Learning Guidelines)
☐ Define the educational purpose for the workplace learning program. (Appendix B2: Host employer section)
ASSESS RISKS
Workplace environment (see Workplace Learning Guidelines)
☐ The work site supports the safety and welfare of the student(s).
$\hfill \square$ A site suitability pre-placement visit has been carried out for each site used.
Employer section of the Student Placement Record Appendix B2: Host employer section has been completed.
Appendix C: School-based apprentices and trainees (SBATs) work placement records have been completed for SBATs.
Transport arrangements (see Workplace Learning Guidelines)
Transport needs for workplace learning participants, including students, staff and other members of supervisory team(s) have been identified in the description of the proposed activities table in Appendix B2.
Strategies that mitigate transport risks related to safety, compliance, or general welfare have been identified in the description of the proposed activities table in Appendix B2.
STUDENT/S - Appendix B1: Student Section
Selecting students (see Workplace Learning Guidelines)
☐ Student(s) has/have completed an application process.
☐ Student(s) has/have attended an interview (if required).
Student(s) has/have been assessed for work readiness to ensure the placement benefits both the student and host employer.
Confirm that the worksite accommodates students' needs and capabilities, including provisions for students with diverse needs (e.g. CALD, intellectual or physical disability, specified health issues).
Pre-requisites necessary for student(s) to engage with specific workplaces have been identified and fulfilled (e.g. WorkSafe <u>SmartMove</u> Certificate, White Card for construction sites).
School has conducted a work placement induction program with student(s) prior to them engaging in any practical work activities. This must include familiarising student(s) with the conduct appropriate for a workplace.
Once student(s) are selected and placements are organised, attach:
the completed Student Placement Record (Appendices B1, B2, B3 and B4) for each placement undertaken by each student
details of any special needs of student(s) and provisions made
 a schedule of student induction sessions and confirmation they have been undertaken prior to commencing work on site.
☐ for SBATs, the documentation identified in Appendix C can substitute for the Student Placement Record.

SUPERVISOR/SUPERVISORY TEAM
Establishing a supervisor/supervisory team (see Workplace Learning Guidelines)
☐ Select a supervisor/supervisory team with the relevant capabilities for each WPL program.
☐ Determine the roles and responsibilities for the supervisor/supervisory team.
☐ Verify each supervisory team member's capability to identify and establish a safe workplace learning environment and monitor each student's progress.
Each supervisor/supervisory team member has been inducted, has had any gaps identified and related resources/professional learning planned to enable them to carry out assigned duties and roles.
☐ Where a third-party is involved, prepare a Memorandum of Understanding.
SUPERVISION STRATEGY
Establishing a supervision strategy for each WPL program (see Workplace Learning Guidelines)
☐ A supervision strategy has been established and is appropriate to the:
Student(s) age, knowledge and level of skill
 Student(s) medical condition or disability
type and location of the activity
 workplace environment and workplace supervisor's capability.
Workplace supervisor has been informed of the requirement to report to the school any discrepancies in the student's safe and expected time of arrival, departure and return to the workplace.
Supervision strategies should address circumstances where students are not in clear view of the workplace supervisor(s), such as:
when set a task out of direct line of sight
during meal breaks that are unsupervised
 when travelling to and from meal providers during meal breaks.
☐ Family/caregiver permission has been obtained for the student to:
 leave the workplace during meal breaks, in workplaces where the workplace supervisor does not supervise students during meal breaks.
 travel (unsupervised by the workplace supervisor) with workplace colleagues to a meal provider and return to the workplace.
COMMUNICATION STRATEGY
Establishing a communication strategy (see Workplace Learning Guidelines)
All parties including student, supervisor/supervisory team and host employer have received the communication strategy including contact details.
EMERGENCY RESPONSE STRATEGY
Establishing an emergency response strategy (see Appendix B1 and Appendix B3, <u>Workplace</u> <u>Learning Guidelines</u> , the <u>Work Health and Safety</u> , and the <u>Incident Management on Department of Education Sites</u>)

WORKPLACE EMPLOYERS						
Employer selection and induction (see <u>Workplace Learning Guidelines</u>) Once employer is selected, attach:						
evidence that an induction process has been carried out	evidence that an induction process has been carried out					
☐ the completed Student Placement Record (Appendix B)						
the employer's Certificate of Currency for Public Liability ir	nsurance.					
(Note: For Department of Education or other State Government I insured by RiskCover, a Certificate of Currency is not required. S Learning Guidelines.	•					
FAMILY/CAREGIVER CONSENT						
Obtain family/caregiver consent (see Appendix B and Workplace	Learning Guidelines)					
☐ Detailed information on the student work placement has be	een provided to family/caregiver.					
☐ Written consent has been obtained from family/caregiver f WPL program.	or their child to participate in a					
Family/caregiver has been provided with insurance inform Insurance Letter to Parents (Appendix D1 or Appendix D2)						
☐ Family/caregiver has sighted Student Placement Record A the Student Placement Record (Appendix B3).	☐ Family/caregiver has sighted Student Placement Record Appendices B1 and B2 and signed the Student Placement Record (Appendix B3).					
☐ In the case of SBATs, the family/caregiver signature on the Training Contract will confirm their permission has been gained.						
RETAIN RECORDS						
Evidence/records are to be attached to this Plan and retained unit (see Workplace Learning Guidelines)	til students reach 25 years old					
Appendix B and C are retained in accordance with the Department of Education's <u>Records Management</u> policy.						
EVALUATION						
Reviewing and evaluating the WPL program(s) and this Plan (see	e Workplace Learning Guidelines)					
Post-placement student feedback has been collected.	<u> </u>					
Post-placement feedback has been collected from host en						
Following the collation of feedback, implement revisions to documents and/or processes.						
SIGNATURES						
Signature of Workplace Learning coordinator:	Date:					
I am satisfied that the management plan for this program meets Duty of Policy requirements. I approve the students named in the attachment to						
Signature of Principal/nominee: Date:						
Print name:	Position:					

APPENDIX B. STUDENT PLACEMENT RECORD

Appendices B1, B2, B3 and B4, together, constitute the Student Placement Record which is used to confirm that all requirements of the Workplace Management Plan have been met for the placement of individual students in particular workplaces.

These appendices are collated and retained for each placement for each student.

B.1. STUDENT SECTION

STUDENT INFORMATION							
Name:					Date of birth:		
Contact number:			Medicare number:				
Em	ergency contact:	Hoi	Home:				
Mo	bile:	Wo	Work:				
Wo	rkplace:	Pro Fro		sed dates of placeme To			
Ple	ase tick where applicable:						
	I or my family/caregiver have provided details of any medication, adjustments, disability, and/or learning support the				ct my workplace learning any concerns about my		
	school or the employer should know about. If this information changes, I will inform the school.			coordinator if I have	ct my workplace learning any concerns about the st employer or staff towards		
	I have been made aware of the specific requirements that apply to the particular industry my placement is in and agree to comply with these requirements.			workplace learning of	host employer and my coordinator as soon as ble to attend the work ven day.		
	I have completed a Safety Induction e.g. WorkSafe SmartMove, White Card.			I know who to contact	ct in an emergency.		
	I am aware of my rights and responsibilities.			I will comply with all the host employer a	reasonable direction from nd their employees.		
	I understand my responsibilities during the placement to support work health an safety in the host workplace. I know I must not do anything to jeopardise the safety of myself and others.	ıd		private and confiden	Il information which is tial, I will not convey that erson outside the host		
	I understand the need for and will acquir basic personal protective clothing and equipment (e.g. steel capped boots) required for the placement.	e			vice to record o or take photographs rom the host employer or		
	I understand that if I feel unsafe during the placement I have the right to not undertake the task and I have the right to report the issue as soon as possible to my workplace learning coordinator.	0			place supervisor and the ny injury or accident that		

I understand that my physical and personal safety is of the highest importance during the placement and there are no negative consequences for me in reporting health and safety issues to my school, the host employer and/or to my family/caregiver.			
Student signature:	Date:		

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B.2. **HOST EMPLOYER SECTION**

STUDENT INFORMATION							
Student's name:							
SCHOOL INFORM	IATION						
School:			Front office hour	rs:			
Address:	Address:						
Contact number:			Email:				
WPL coordinator:							
Contact details:							
VET coordinator:							
Contact details:							
Types of workplace	ADWPL Cour	rse	Work experien	ce		Work shadowing	
learning program	Part of a VET program		SBT/SBA/ASB	T/PAIS		Other (e.g. Internship)	
WORK PLACEMENT							
Purpose:	Purpose:						
Type of industry:			Main activity:				
Specific industry skills (e.g. Certificate II in Hospitality) to be addressed (if applicable):							
Start date: Fi		Finish	n date:	Total number of days:			
Student's start time:		Finish	n time:	Student's total hours:			
□ Block □ One day per week □		Split shifts					
Placement includes out of school hours work Please specify:							
Transport arrangements (whilst in the workplace):							

HOST EMPLOYER Please complete all the following responses. If more space is needed please attach the information. This will assist the school to manage their duty of care to the student and your responses will help you satisfy your relevant workplace obligations. You may wish to keep a file copy as a guide for any future placements. Proprietor/Supervisor: Company name: Job role: Workplace: Address: Contact number: **Business address:** Location of placement (if different to the Address above) Contact number: I have consulted with my insurance broker to I have provided a Certificate of determine that my business holds the appropriate Currency for this insurance to the level of public liability cover for my business. school. Position: Contact number: Supervisor's name:

Hos	Host employer/workplace supervisor declaration:					
	I have read the <u>Student Work Placement Guide (WorkSafe)</u> and understand the responsibilities associated with working with children and young people.					
	I will provide planned learning and skill development activities appropriate for the student under the supervision of myself or a capable and trustworthy employee briefed for the task.					
	I confirm that the activities assigned will be suitable for the student and that Work Health and Safety (WHS) risks will be assessed and managed in accordance with the requirements of the <u>Work Health and Safety</u> Legislation. I have confirmed and signed the <u>Description of the proposed activities</u> to meet the Department's requirements.					
	I have been provided with details of any med learning support the student may need.	dication, adjustments, disability, and/or				
	I will consult and cooperate with the school a health and safety incidents involving the stud- misses, to enable the Department to fulfil its	dent while on placement, including near				
	I will provide a site-specific induction and the ongoing appropriate information, instruction, training, supervision and additional personal protective equipment as required through the work placement that enables the student to perform their work safely.					
	I have been made aware of the nature of the work placement and of any restrictions which apply to the kinds of work the student can be required to perform.					
	I confirm that if the student is travelling in work vehicles, that the vehicles and drivers are currently licensed.					
	I will notify the workplace learning coordinator as soon as possible if the student is ill, injured, absent without explanation or if there are concerns about the student's behaviour.					
	I will notify the workplace learning coordinator immediately if I need to redirect students to another location due to site safety issues requiring immediate attention occurring, for example if asbestos is found on the site.					
	I am not aware of anything in the background of any employee who will have close or unsupervised contact with the student that would preclude that person from providing a child safe work environment.					
	Child related workplace/industries only - as per the Working with Children (Screening) Act 2004 (e.g., child care centres), I confirm that all the employees have their Working with Children Checks.					
Sigr	nature of host employer:	Date:				
Prin	t name:	Position:				

	Identification of potential risks	Strategies to manage identified potential risks			
Tasks (student tasks to be undertaken during placement)	Specific risk/s (student or workplace)	Employer strategy/ies to manage risk (Assumes an appropriate workplace preparation has been undertaken by the school)			
Example: Manual handling of materials and equipment	Example: Risk of injury arising from incorrect methods of lifting and replacing heavy items.	Example: Instruction provided in workplace induction Ongoing supervision of student			
Work Transport Arrangements (if applicable)					
Students travelling in work vehicles	Travelling to different work sites	Vehicle is licensed; driver(s) are licensed			

Insert additional rows if required	
Employer Signature	

B.3. **FAMILY/CAREGIVER CONSENT**

Note:

- 1. The family/caregiver must have been provided with completed Appendices B1
- and B2 prior to filling out this consent form.Students over the age of 18 years and students designated as 'independent minors' may sign their own consent forms.

FAN	MILY/CAREGIVER CONSENT				
Student's name:				Date of birth:	
Contact number:		Medicare number:			
Workplace:		Proposed dates of placement: From: To:			
	ails (or attached) of any adjustment, d employer should know:	isability, lea	arning support, me	edication or factors the	
Name of person completing form:			Relationship to student:		
Address:			Home number:		
Work phone:			Mobile:		
	I will notify the school if I have any concerns and the school with follow up and action.				
	I am aware of the contents of the Student (B1) and Host Employer Sections (B2) of the Student Placement Record.				
	The placement includes out of hours work. The hours of work are:				
	I agree to make myself available as a contact for my child after normal business hours in the event of an emergency.				
		OR			
	To fulfil this role, I nominate:		Contac numbe		
	Relationship to student:				
	My child requires medication, adjustment, has a disability and/or learning support and I have informed the school of these requirements and consent that this information can be provided to the host employer.				
	I am aware that transport arrangements		child to and from	the workplace are the	

placement, ployer. placement.				
placement.				
My child is aware of all the transport arrangements which are involved in this placement.				
I am aware that my child may not be supervised during meal breaks and give permission for my child to leave the workplace during these breaks, including in vehicles driven to a meal provider by workplace colleagues.				
I consent to my child undertaking the placement outlined in this Student Placement Record.				
My child is aware of the actions they can take if they feel unsafe during the work placement, including if they have concerns about the behaviour of the host employer and/or their staff.				
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B.4. SCHOOL APPROVAL OF PLACEMENT

Note: School approval of the placement is only to be completed after Appendices B1, B2 and B3 have been completed, signed, and sighted.

SCHOOL APPROVAL OF THE PLACEMENT						
Stud	dent's name (or list of student names):		Date of birth:			
	The placement conforms to the requirements of Department's <i>Workplace Learning in Public Schools Procedures</i> and associated documents and forms.					
	The school will report incidents affecting the safety of students, including near misses, while the student is undertaking workplace learning in accordance with the Department's <i>Workplace Learning in Public Schools Procedures</i> . In accordance with the Department policy, incidents must be reported as soon as possible but within 24 hours.					
	The student(s) is/are aware of whom to contact in an emergency.					
	The host employer has been provided with information about any medication, adjustments, disability, and/or learning support that students require and the family/caregiver has consented to this information being shared.					
Signature of workplace learning coordinator:		Date:				
Stud	I am satisfied that the arrangements for this placement meet Duty of Care for Public School Students Policy and Workplace Learning for Public Schools Procedures requirements. I approve the student(s) named in the attachment to participate in this program.					
Signature of principal/nominee:		Date:				
Print name:		Position in school:				

APPENDIX C. SCHOOL-BASED APPRENTICES AND TRAINEESHIPS WORK PLACEMENT RECORDS

For students undertaking a school-based apprenticeship or school-based traineeship, the following documents (as a set) may be used in place of the Student Placement Record:

- the Training Plan
- the Training Contract.

The family/caregiver signature on the Training Contract will confirm their permission has been gained.

Please refer to the <u>school-based apprenticeship and traineeship guide (Department of Training</u> and Workforce Development) and relevant fact sheets for further information.

The school's endorsement of the Training Plan is a requirement. This will provide an opportunity for schools to determine their support for the School Based Apprenticeship or School Based Traineeship (SBATs) including duty of care responsibilities.

The documented information for SBATs will need to be included as part of Appendix A: Workplace Learning Management Plan.

Note: It is recommended that the school works closely with the Australian Apprenticeship Support Network provider to confirm the student's participation in the apprenticeship/traineeship is managed appropriately.

APPENDIX D. INSURANCE LETTERS

D.1. INSURANCE LETTER TO FAMILY/CAREGIVER - UNPAID WORK PLACEMENT

Dear family/caregiver

WORKPLACE LEARNING (UNPAID) - INSURANCE COVER

The Department of Education (the Department) provides personal accident insurance and public liability insurance through RiskCover for students engaged in unpaid work placements allocated or arranged by the Department.

The insurance covers, subject to certain conditions, the 'gap' costs over and above what is paid by Medicare or the student's private health insurance for a student's medical expenses, including dental, ambulance charges and surgical appliances. The insurance also covers direct travel between home and the workplace learning placement site.

The Department of Education's insurance does not cover accidental damage caused by the student unless negligence on the part of the student can be demonstrated.

The school has been provided with evidence of the host employer's level of public liability insurance cover and the host employer has confirmed that this is the appropriate level of cover for their particular business.

In the event of a workplace learning accident, the student will be asked to complete a workplace learning <u>personal accident claim form</u>. This form must be completed and forwarded to the school principal.

In the first instance when making a workplace learning accident insurance claim, medical bills should be claimed through Medicare or your private health insurance. In the event that reimbursement is required, Medicare statements, private health insurer remittance and doctor's and chemist's receipts, where applicable, are to be forwarded to:

Specialist Claims Team RiskCover GPO Box K 837 PERTH WA 6842

On approving the claim, RiskCover will send a cheque covering the difference between the Medicare/private health insurance cover and the total cost of the bills.

Yours sincerely	
Workplace Learning coordinator	
Date:	

D.2. INSURANCE LETTER TO FAMILY/CAREGIVER - PAID WORK PLACEMENT

Dear family/caregiver

WORKPLACE LEARNING (PAID) - INSURANCE COVER

This letter is to inform you of insurance cover for your student while on placement for paid workplace learning.

The Department of Education (the Department) provides personal accident insurance and public liability insurance through RiskCover for students engaged in unpaid work placements allocated or arranged by the Department.

However, in circumstances where a work placement involves paid employment, the Department does not provide personal accident insurance and public liability insurance.

These circumstances include where the:

- work placement is part of a school-based apprenticeship/traineeship;
- student intends to use part-time paid employment for recognition of workplace learning towards WACE achievement.

In these circumstances, the student is an employee and is covered by their employer's workers' compensation and public liability insurance.

Information about workers' compensation insurance procedures, including how to make a claim in the event of an accident, can be found on the <u>Work-Cover WA website</u>.

Yours sincerely	
Workplace Learning coordinator	
Date:	