



QUEENSLAND GIRLS
Secondary Schools
Sports Association

QGSSSA CHILD SAFETY INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

Staying Safe at QGSSSA Events

The Queensland Girls' Secondary Schools Sports Association (QGSSSA) is committed to providing safe, inclusive and supportive sporting environments for all students. We support the **Queensland Child Safe Standards** and have zero tolerance for child abuse, harm, grooming or neglect.

1.0 How we keep students safe

At QGSSSA events, we:

- implement clear supervision and safety procedures
- require all staff, volunteers and officials to comply with the QGSSSA Child Safe Code of Conduct
- maintain child-focused reporting and response processes
- promote inclusive and culturally safe environments
- consider safety in both physical and online environments
- work closely with member schools to support student wellbeing

While students remain under the care of their school, QGSSSA is responsible for ensuring safe environments across all events, competitions and activities.

2.0 Supporting your child

We encourage parents and families to:

- talk regularly with your child about their experiences in sport
- ask how they are feeling and whether anything has made them uncomfortable
- encourage your child to speak up if something doesn't feel right
- remind your child who they can go to for support

3.0 Signs your child may need support

You may notice:

- changes in mood, behaviour or confidence
- reluctance to attend sport or events
- withdrawal from teammates or activities
- concerns about interactions with others (in person or online)

If you are concerned, we encourage you to seek support.

4.0 Raising a concern

If you have concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing, please:

- speak to a **QGSSSA event official**, or
- contact your child's **school representative**, or
- contact the **QGSSSA Executive Officer**





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All concerns are taken seriously and managed in line with our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy.

If a child is in immediate danger, call **000**.

5.0 Our commitment to inclusion and cultural safety

QGSSSA is committed to environments that are inclusive, respectful and culturally safe for all students.

We recognise and value the diversity of our community and are committed to ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students feel safe, respected and supported.

6.0 Working together

Child safety is a shared responsibility between QGSSSA, schools, families and the broader community.

We are committed to continually improving our practices to ensure all students feel safe, respected and supported.

7.0 More information:

<https://qgsssa.com.au/about-us/governance-policies/>

