





## **Safeguarding children and young people Governance statement**

POLICY DATES: JOHN CALVIN SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT			
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POLICY AUTHORISATION			
Principal	Daniel Coote	Signature	
Chairman	Colin Mulder	Signature	

We consider the health, safety and wellbeing of all children and young people our highest priority. We strive to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and young people, in particular, through our Safeguarding Children & Young People Policy.

Our Safeguarding Children & Young People Policy has been adopted, approved and endorsed by the Free Reformed School Association (TAS) Inc Board.

It underpins a set of policies and procedures in relation to the protection of children and young people.

- Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy
- JCS Staff Code of Conduct
- External Provider Code of Conduct
- Responding to Child Abuse Reports and Allegations Policy

### *Information for Parents and Carers*

- Information for Parents & Carers Statement
- Parent Code of Conduct
- Incident Report Form
- Strong Families Safe Kids Website

### *Information for Students*

- Statement for Children & Young People
- Children & Young People Code of Conduct

### *Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect*

The Strong Families Safe Kids Advice and Referral Line is the first point of contact for concerns regarding child wellbeing and safety. If you are worried about a child's safety or wellbeing, you can contact the Advice and Referral Line at 1800 000 123.

- Anyone can contact the Advice and Referral Line.
- You will talk to a person with experience in child wellbeing and safety.
- They will provide the right support for the best outcomes for children and their families.

### *Key information:*

The Advice and Referral Line is a shared network of support.

They help with early intervention by providing the right support to families. This supports better outcomes for children and their families.

Tasmania's Advice and Referral Line is one-of-a-kind in Australia. They bring together a range of support services across government and non-government.

### *What is the Advice and Referral Line?*

Anyone with a concern about the safety and wellbeing of a child can contact the Advice and Referral Line. This includes:

- parents and children who need help
- concerned relatives, friends or neighbours
- mandatory reporters.

As a parent, if you're very stressed and think your child may be at risk of harm because of this, calling us is one of the best things you can do.

### *Who can I call?*

You will be talking to a person with experience in child wellbeing and safety. They have the best interests of the child at heart. They will:

- talk to you about the situation
- answer your questions
- give you information or advice
- if needed, arrange a referral to a service which can best meet the needs of the child.