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Introduction

To comply with the requirements of the Victorian Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Act 2004 and the Victorian OHS Regulations 2017 the Department of Education and Training (the Department) has implemented an OHS Management System (OHSMS) in all Victorian Government schools.


The OHSMS requires all volunteer workers to:

- report to the general office or designated site contact upon arrival at site
- complete an OHS induction using the Volunteer worker OHS Induction Checklist
- sign in/out and ensure their visitors pass is worn at all times whilst on Department or other premises
- Working with Children Check, where applicable.

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Department Health, Safety and Wellbeing (HSW) Policy

The Department has the [Health, Safety and Wellbeing Policy](#), which has been endorsed by the Department Secretary and can be seen below:



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Health, Safety and Wellbeing Policy

Scope: This Policy applies to all employees, students, visitors, volunteer workers and contractors in Department of Education and Training (DET) workplaces and activities, and instances when performing work offsite.

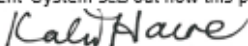
Commitment and Principles: DET values and supports its people and is legally and morally committed to ensuring healthy and safe working and learning environments. DET recognises that employee health, safety and wellbeing (HSW) is integral to achieving excellent educational and work performance outcomes and commits, so far as reasonably practicable to:

<p>Prevent workplace injuries and illnesses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• by identifying, assessing, controlling, monitoring and reviewing hazards and associated risks under the control of, or as a result of undertakings conducted by DET• by promoting the reporting of incidents and hazards and investigating where appropriate, to prevent re-occurrence• by providing and maintaining workplaces that are safe and healthy without risks to mental health.	<p>Enhance workplace culture:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• by actively demonstrating and promoting a positive, inclusive and supportive working environment• promoting an HSW reporting and learning culture• by recognising the importance of flexible work arrangements and family friendly work practices in maintaining a diverse, adaptive and high performing workforce.	<p>Consult, collaborate and communicate with employees including health and safety representatives and other groups within DET:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• on identified hazards and proposed decisions and changes that may affect the health and safety of persons, including: job role, systems of work, plant and substances and workplace facilities• on issue resolution processes• on provision of information, instruction, supervision and training• by providing employees with a reasonable opportunity to express their views and concerns and taking account views expressed during consultation.
<p>Allocate adequate resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• by providing an Occupational Health and Safety Management System that is sustainable and consistent with the risk profile of DET operations• by promoting access to support services, information and training• by providing and maintaining physically safe and healthy workplaces.	<p>Provide transparent and robust information, training, instruction and documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• on individual health and safety accountabilities for all employees across DET• on legislative and DET HSW requirements.	<p>Drive continuous HSW improvement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• by using evidenced based data to inform DET strategic direction and measureable objectives• by monitoring and reporting on HSW performance outcomes• by strengthening leadership capability• by maintaining, monitoring and reviewing the OHS Management System

DET employees, visitors, students, volunteer workers and contractors are required to take reasonable care for their own and others' health and safety and will co-operate with DET in adhering to health and safety requirements including following DET policies, procedures or instructions and participating in consultation and training.

DET's OHS Management System sets out how this policy is to be implemented.

Katy Haire
Acting Secretary
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Required conduct/behaviour

All volunteer workers are expected to abide by the workplaces code of conduct while on site.

This includes:

- No smoking on school grounds or within four metres of an entrance to all Department workplaces.
- No alcohol or drugs are to be consumed on any Department premises. Any volunteer worker under the influence will be dismissed.
- No offensive language is permitted on any Department premises.
- Noise must be kept to a minimum. If this is not practicable, then non-urgent work should be scheduled outside of school hours, where possible.
- Possessions, materials, and equipment should be secured and not be left unattended.
- Abide by the workplaces traffic management procedures.
- Entrance to other areas of the Department workplace aside from the work area is prohibited, unless otherwise agreed to.
- Remove all litter and debris from the workplace.
- Report any problems, hazards, or incidents to the Workplace Manager or relevant delegate.
- Dress appropriately and wear the correct personal protective equipment suitable.
- No pets are permitted on Department premises.

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Access arrangements

Access

All volunteer workers must report to the general office or site contact and sign in upon arrival at the workplace or designated point where not on Department premises. This requirement is indicated on signage located at all entrances to the school, see below:



Traffic Management

Volunteer workers are to enter and exit the school grounds via the following locations: Bignell Road.

Vehicles entering school grounds must adhere to all traffic signage. Where there is no signage, vehicles are to always move at walking pace. If a vehicle has limited visibility or mobility, a spotter should be used when the vehicle is in motion.

- Vehicles are not allowed to move around the EBPS grounds during the following time periods of peak pedestrian traffic:
 - 8.45am to 9.15am; 11am to 11.30am; 1.30pm to 2.30 pm, and 3.15pm to 3.45pm
 - Worksite speed limits are set at (5 km/hr)

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OHS Induction

Upon arrival at the site you will be required to complete an OHS Induction covering the site specific risks.

Volunteer workers inductions are valid for 12 months.

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The Volunteer Worker OHS Induction Handbook can be used to assist in conducting an OHS induction.

Workplace		
Brief description of works		
General OHS Induction – The Workplace Manager is to ensure that volunteer workers have been provided with the following information and/or instructions.		Provided
Department Health and Safety and Wellbeing (HSW) Policy		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Required conduct/behaviour		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Security access arrangements / Traffic Management Plan		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Introduction to First Aid Officer(s) and location of First Aid Room/Kits		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Location of emergency evacuation plans for your area		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Location of Emergency Exits		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Introduction to workplace Wardens / Incident Controller		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Location of amenities		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Location of Chemical Register and associated Safety Data Sheets		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Information on hazard and incident reporting process		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Current School Asbestos Management Plan and Division 5 Audit Report		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Plant and equipment Safe Work Procedures & personal protective equipment <i>(Note: all electrically powered plant and equipment are to be tested and tagged prior to use)</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
An overview of task(s) and relevant hazards and risks controls are communicated to volunteer workers as detailed in the Risk Assessment		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Signatures		
Workplace Manager <i>I certify that the below mentioned volunteer workers have completed an OHS induction.</i>		
Name:		Signature:
		Date:
Volunteer Workers <i>I have been provided with and understand (as indicated above) and will comply with all safety instructions.</i>		
Name:		Signature:
		Date:

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Site specific hazards

Hazardous Substances and Dangerous Goods

If transporting hazardous substances or dangerous goods onto site, the Workplace Manager/ Management OHS Nominee must be informed. You must complete a Safe Work

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Method Statement or equivalent to outline the controls methods you will use to ensure that the risks of the hazardous substances and/or dangerous goods are managed.

Such controls may include, but are not limited to:

- the provision of Material/Safety Data Sheets (MSDS/SDS)
- correct labelling of containers
- correct storing and handling of containers
- correct disposal of any waste
- provision of Personal Protective Equipment.

Animals/Wildlife

There is the potential to meet domestic animals and wildlife while on this site. Should this occur you must:

- do not approach any domestic animals (e.g. dogs) or dangerous wildlife
- report the sighting of any domestic animals or dangerous wildlife to the Workplace Manager, the Management OHS Nominee or at the General office
- do not reach into any holes or gaps in the buildings without first checking to see if it is safe.

Emergency Management

Workplace Codes

If a code is called, please obey the following instructions:

- Fire, proceed to evacuation point. – refer to Evacuation Map (Appendix A).
- Possible emergency, remain alert but stay where you are for now.
- Lockdown, follow instructions.
- Gas leak, proceed to evacuation point etc.

Emergency Procedures

On hearing the alarm:

- switch off all equipment
- proceed to the advised assembly area
- report to one of the wardens
- do not leave the assembly area until advised.

Leaving Site in an Emergency

All volunteer workers are required to proceed to the evacuation point and remain there until given clearance to leave by the Incident Controller or Workplace Manager.

Evacuation Point

The evacuation point is located on the oval - refer to Evacuation Map (Appendix A).

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Emergency Contacts

School contacts		
Workplace Manager	Maria Shearn	03) 9570 3525
Asbestos Co-ordinator	John Seeary	03) 9570 3525
Business Manager	Jane Keen	03) 9570 3525
General Office Number		03) 9570 3525
Emergency contacts		
Police:		000
Fire:		000
Ambulance:		000
Poisons:		13 11 26

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First Aid and Amenities

First Aid

In the event of an injury:

1. if the injury is not serious, report or escort the injured party to the administration office for assistance
2. if the injury is serious ring 000, do not wait for first aid officer
3. stay with injured party. Send someone else to find the first aid officer or workplace manager
4. if no one else is available, ring the school number and inform the office that someone is injured at your location
5. if trained, apply first aid to the injured party
6. once incident is over, fill in an incident report at the office.

[Optional: Insert map of workplace with first aid room and first aid kits clearly marked]

Hazard and Incident Reporting

Any hazard or incident which poses a risk to the safety of a student, parent, visitor, volunteer worker or employee must be reported.

- Call 000 immediately to report any incident threatening life or property. This number will connect you to the following emergency services:
 - police for crime, injury that may not be accidental, or assault
 - ambulance for injury and medical assistance
 - fire brigade for fires, gas leaks and incidents involving hazardous and dangerous materials.
- Notify the administration office in person, or, if unable or unsafe to do so, notify someone via the emergency contact list.
- Workplace Manager is to report the incident on eduSafe.

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