



DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS POLICY

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Review Date: November 2023 (ratified)
Responsible for Review: YSS College and Board
Related Legislation & Regulations: Animal Welfare Act 2002 (WA), Dog Regulations 2013 (WA)

Rationale

This policy aims to ensure the safety and well-being of all members of the Yallingup Steiner School community.

The school acknowledges the views of families who choose not to have dogs or other pets and that some people may find contact with dogs stressful.

We recognise that bringing dogs onto the premises may pose a health and safety risk to students and others on site.

Aims

This policy aims to consider the needs and expectations of all members of the Yallingup Steiner School community and to minimize the risk of distress, accident or injury to people or animals on the school grounds.

This policy is referenced in the parent handbook and available on the YSS homepage.

Code of Conduct

- Dogs are **not** permitted on the Yallingup Steiner School grounds during school hours or when students or third party contractors are present, including drop-off and pick-up times.
- Council by-laws regarding dogs apply both within and on the boundaries of the Yallingup Steiner School premises.
- Only staff working after hours onsite may be accompanied by dogs.

Exceptions

- Registered guide dogs and assistance dogs are permitted at Yallingup Steiner School.