

GUARDIANSHIP

All International Students who are enrolled at Oakleigh Grammar must have a Parent or Guardian appointed as the main contact for the School regardless of whether they have turned 18 years of age.

Oakleigh Grammar is not a boarding School, so most International Students who come to the School will live with a homestay family. This can be arranged through our provider, Australian Homestay Network.

International Students who attend Oakleigh Grammar may live with, a “suitable relative”. Department of Immigration and Border Protection has defined a ‘suitable relative’ as a person who is:

- a grandparent, brother, sister, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew, or a step-grandparent, step-brother, step-sister, step-aunt, step-uncle, step-niece or step nephew
- nominated by a parent of the applicant or a person who has custody of the applicant
- aged at least 21
- of good character.

If a suitable relative is not available in Melbourne in a suitable locality, then, perhaps a family friend would accept responsibility for the care and wellbeing of the student. In this case an Appointment of Guardian Form must be completed. This document also sets out the responsibilities of Guardianship. The School must be informed and approve of any change in guardianship arrangements.

The School currently uses the professional guardianship services ISA Guardian & Welfare Services - www.studentguardians.com . The School can assist with establishing an arrangement with this provider.