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Pastoral Care/Homestay

RATIONALE:

The Ministry of Education Code of Practice for international students requires that institutions comply with the guidelines set for the provision of homestay.

PURPOSES:

This policy is to ensure that Macleans College carry out homestay placement for international fee paying students in accordance with the criteria set under the Code of Practice for Pastoral Care.

GUIDELINES:

The following criteria shall be followed:

- 1 When the homestay is a school non-accredited one, the residence/home must be inspected prior to the placement of a student. This home is inspected twice a year.
- 2 Students placed by guardian/agent are inspected once the student has been placed in a home. This home is inspected twice a year.
- 3 If a student is living with a parent, only one inspection is carried out during the year.
- 4 Students may not change homestay without school approval. Approval can only be given once inspection has been carried out.
- 5 After interview and inspection of homes of prospective suitable host family, a police vet must be carried out.
- 6 The homestay residence must be, if at all possible, either within the current school zone and a regular bus service ride away from Macleans College or one bus ride or within 25 minutes walk from the College.

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- 7 Students must be able to get to school (unless they have school-based training, rehearsals, field trips, sports/cultural trip obligations, etc) at the regular time and leave for home at the regular time, whether it be walking, bus, cycling or by car with the host family.

COMMITMENT:

The Macleans College Board of Trustees will ensure that all homestay placement for international fee paying students carried out by the school, will follow the criteria set up by the Ministry of Education.