



The principles guiding the participation of the Uniting Church in Australia, Queensland Synod in schools and residential colleges

The Uniting Church, in bearing witness to the love of God revealed in the life and ministry of Jesus Christ, will engage in the ministry of delivering education to children and young people.

The purposes of our participation in this ministry are:

- To provide safe environments where children and young people can explore and discover their God-given dignity and progress their individual potential.
- To support the growth and development of children and young people who are discerning the meaning, identity, belonging and purpose of their lives such that they can participate in a just society and lead creative and compassionate lives.
- To achieve excellent outcomes for students by ensuring effective teaching and school leadership is ever-present, understood, valued and prioritised.
- To share our faith in respectful and engaging ways by providing venues for the development of children and young people in the light of the Christian story guided by the Basis of Union.

The quality of this ministry will be enabled by applying ethical governance systems:

- To monitor the outcomes, procedures and practices of schools and colleges to ensure alignment with the above purposes.
- To secure safe and inclusive institutions with a capacity to affirm all people.

The Uniting Church recognises it lives and ministers in a pluralist society. This diversity can find common ground in a set of shared values. Uniting Church schools will respect that set of shared values and engage with it in the light of the Christian faith.

Our schools and colleges will be places where their worship, witness and service will bear witness to Jesus Christ, and the fullness of life that Christ offers.

