

Risk Warning

(Under Section 5M of Civil Liability Act 2002)

ON BEHALF OF QUEENWOOD SCHOOL AND IGSA:
NON-SPORTING ACTIVITIES 2024

Queenwood School ("Queenwood") organises many activities such as debating, mock trial, orchestra, choir, drama, dance, public speaking, the Da Vinci Decathlon and many others during the course of a year. Some of these are organised in conjunction with the Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools NSW (AHIGS), trading as IGSA. Students participating in these activities take part in practice and in competitions.

IGSA administers and convenes inter-school activities (such as IGSA Archdale Debating, IGSA Festival of Speech, IGSA Choral Festival, IGSA Dance Festival and IGSA Chess) in which many students, including students of this school, participate.

Queenwood and IGSA also expect parents, spectators and other participants to behave in a safe and responsible manner, to comply with the Codes of Conduct and to set a good example for the girls.

While Queenwood and IGSA take measures to make the activities as safe as reasonably possible for participants, there is a risk that students can be injured and suffer loss (including financial loss) and damage as a result of their participation in these activities, whether at practice or in actual events.

Such injury can occur while the student is engaging in or watching a non-sporting activity, or travelling to and from the event. The injury may result from a student's actions, the actions of others, the state of the premises or equipment failure (e.g. a collapsed stage during a debating competition).

On some occasions, an injury can be serious (such as torn ligaments, dislocations, back injuries, concussion or broken bones). In very rare cases an injury can be life threatening or result in permanent disability.

Students could also suffer loss as a result of their personal property being lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.