

NOTES ABOUT THIS CONFIDENTIAL DECLARATION FORM

What the form is about:

In 1997, the then Education Department of Western Australia joined other Australian states to implement the ***National Strategy in Schools for the Prevention of Paedophilia and Other Forms of Child Abuse***. The Confidential Declaration form is designed to prevent people from entering schools who may pose a potential risk to children based on previous criminal history. It does not replace the Working With Children check for employees.

The Confidential Declaration form is for persons who are **not** Department of Education employees, and are **not** involved in child-related work, but who **do** require access to a school (for example, tradespeople carrying out repairs or entertainers who do not work directly with children).

By completing this form, you will help the Department ensure that Western Australian public schools are safe places for our children.

Confidentiality:

Please be assured that unless statutory obligations require otherwise, the information on the completed form will not be used without your consent for any purpose other than in relation to your entry onto the school premises.

The completed form will be treated with the utmost confidentiality at all times. Thank you for taking the time to read this information.

Visiting multiple school sites:

If you visit many schools, for example, if you are a visiting theatre act, then you must complete a separate Confidential Declaration form for **each** school you visit. All schools are required to maintain records of all visitors at the school site.

Any enquiries regarding the Confidential Declaration form should be directed to:

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