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NATIONAL CODE FOR BOARDING SCHOOLS A WELCOME RELIEF FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

Independent Schools Australia (ISA) welcomes the new National Code for boarding school students.

As the largest provider of boarding places in Australia, ISA Chief Executive Officer, Margery Evans said, “the endorsement of the National Code means more than 14,566 students boarding at independent schools can plan their return to their families in a COVID-safe way.

COVID-19 has impacted all students around Australia. Confusing and often-changing travel restrictions have been a key concern for families with students at boarding facilities, so this is a welcome relief,” said Ms Evans.

ISA’s recent research shows the Independent school sector provides 144 boarding facilities in schools across Australia, with indigenous boarders representing 14.5% of all boarders using Independent school boarding facilities.

The National Code supports the travel needs of all boarding school students, their families and communities. ISA and its member associations look forward to states and territories cooperating to manage interstate travel for boarders and to supporting jurisdictions implementing the Code in line with the relevant health advice.

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Further information: ISA Boarding School [infographic](#) and [full report](#)