

Guardianship & Boarding House Requirements

Some XCL World Academy (XWA) students study in Singapore while their parents are overseas. To help our students integrate well into school life and succeed academically, XWA requires all overseas students to stay with an appointed guardian or at a boarding house. This not only satisfies the XWA's guardianship and boarding house requirements but also keeps international students safe while they are not in school and are unaccompanied.



Family's Appointed Guardians

Guardianship provides an additional level of support and care for international students whilst they are residing in Singapore. The students benefit from being supported by a trusted adult who will take care of their well-being away from home and who can be there in an emergency situation on behalf of their parents.

As the person with shared delegated parental responsibility, the role of the guardian is to be the primary caregiver for the student(s) while they are living in Singapore. Guardians who are formally entrusted with the care of a child are expected to act in loco parentis.

To ensure that each child's welfare and well-being is given the highest priority, it is important that there is an effective 3-way partnership between the **school** (teachers and the pastoral care team), **parents**, and the appointed **guardians**.

Parents can choose to appoint a family friend, a relative or a professional guardianship agency. We highly recommend performing extensive research and engaging only trustworthy individuals or accredited organisations to ensure high-level support and care for your child.

XWA Guardianship Policy

XWA has established guardianship terms and conditions to:

- Provide parents and formally appointed guardians with a clear explanation of the school's expectations relating to 'in loco parentis' guardianship.
- Provide parents with a clear explanation of the responsibilities of the guardian they appoint for their child.
- Notify parents that the school reserves the right to determine the acceptability of arrangements made for their child(ren) in Singapore. Should the arrangements be considered to be unacceptable, parents and guardians will be advised and a reasonable opportunity to change the arrangements will be provided.
- Provide guidance to parents on how communications between the school, international parents, and guardians will operate.

Recommended Boarding House

Established in 1886 as a boarding school, ACS Oldham Hall is a 'Home Away From Home' providing premium accommodation and pastoral care to more than 300 students studying in Singapore aged 12 years and above. ACS Oldham Hall is run based on the 5 basic core values (integrity, responsibility, respect, humility, and self-discipline) and ensures that every child in their care is provided with a caring, safe and welcoming environment.

Why Choose ACS Oldham Hall?

- Convenient location.
- Low staff to boarder ratio (1: 12).
- Ensures a mandatory study period for all boarders between 7:30 and 9.30 pm (Monday – Thursday).
- Offers a vibrant and exciting student life through various after-school and weekend activities to help students to learn more about Singapore and find new friends.
- Provides high-quality pastoral care by fully-trained residential house masters/ mistresses.
- 24-hour supervision by qualified and experienced staff members.
- Conducts comprehensive background checks for all staff before their appointment.
- Offers access to a wide range of facilities such as a gym, swimming pool, pantry, study rooms, laundry on-site, and wireless internet.
- Provides your child with the opportunity to mature and hone their social skills in the company of peers from different cultures and backgrounds.



For more information, please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions team at admissions@xwa.edu.sg.