



YBS International, Over 18 Student Policy

This policy is intended for parents and guardians of international students aged 18 and over (the “**Students**”), as well as the Students themselves. It sets out what support YBS is able to provide during a residential course, and where responsibility sits with a Student or their parent / guardian. As Students in this age group are legally adults, there are circumstances in which YBS's ability to act on a Student's behalf are limited. We ask that all parties read this policy carefully, and ensure that appropriate arrangements are in place before the course begins.

1. **Illness on site:** In certain circumstances, a Student will need to leave the site to recover from illness. For example, if a Student vomits, we operate a 48-hour recovery rule whereby a Student must isolate and recover off site and show sufficient signs of recovery before they will be allowed to return to the course. In this circumstance, we would ask that suitable accommodation arrangements are made. The YBS team will assist where reasonable, but responsibility for those arrangements would rest with the Student / their parent or guardian. Costs associated with the alternative accommodation will be borne by the Student or their parent / guardian.

2. **Residential closure:** In the unlikely event that the residential school needs to close early, YBS will communicate with all Students as promptly as possible. In such circumstances, Students must have a contingency plan in place for accommodation and travel. The YBS team will assist, where reasonable, but responsibility for those arrangements rest with the Student / their parent or guardian. Costs associated with the alternative accommodation will be borne by the Student / their parent or guardian.

3. **Medical attention and hospital stays:** If a Student requires serious medical attention, a member of the YBS team will accompany them to receive care. However, please be aware that such team member will not be able to stay with the Student for the duration of any hospital stay. We would strongly encourage Students to ensure appropriate arrangements are in place, whether through comprehensive travel insurance or a nominated contact who is able to assist, if needed.

4. Exclusion: If the YBS pastoral team believes that it is unsafe to keep a Student on site for behavioural, wellbeing, or other reasons, then YBS may formally exclude or temporarily suspend the Student from the course. In rare and serious circumstances, a Student may be excluded with immediate effect. Where possible, YBS will involve the Student's parent / guardian in conversations where concerns have been raised about a Student's suitability for the course. Students must ensure that provisions are in place in the event of a Student's premature departure. Any costs incurred as a result of a premature departure will be borne by the Student.

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