



Russian International School

2023 - 2024 academic year

Safeguarding Policy

Safeguarding and promoting the Welfare of children is the responsibility of the whole School Community. In order to fulfill it effectively the School does the following steps and has special School Policies:

- Child Protection Policy
- Wellbeing Policy
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- SoD Admission Policy
- Student Admission Policy
- E-Cyber Safety Policy
- Transportation Policy
- Attendance Policy
- Health & Safety Policy
- Emergency Response Policy
- Code of Conduct Policy
- Action Plan for School Development and Improvement

Safeguarding Objectives:

1. Care, welfare and safeguarding of students, including child protection.
2. Arrangements to ensure health, safety and security.
3. Quality of maintenance and record keeping.
4. Suitability of premises and facilities for all students, including SoD.
5. Provision for and promotion of safe and healthy lifestyles.
6. Staff-student relationships and behavior management.
7. Management of attendance and punctuality.
8. Identification and Support of SoD; Gifted and Talented.
9. E-Safe School Online Safety.

Channels of communication:

Hotline School WhatsApp:	+971-50-613-60-91
Tel. Administration:	+971-4-264-15-15
Tel./Whats App IT Support:	+971-584-65-29
Tel./Whats App Health and Safety:	+971-50-358-02-99

School Email:	info@dubairuschool.com
Administration Email:	admin.ris@dubairuschool.com
Parents communication:	parents.ris@dubairuschool.com
Teachers communication:	student.ris@dubairuschool.com

Facilities are monitored by:

- Surveillance Cameras indoors and outdoors across all the School Perimeter;
- Security Guard is 24/7 at school premises.

Safeguarding Areas:

- School Perimeter Premises
(outside KG play area, outside school yard, bus parking, entrance/exit gates, security gate, fire drill, water tank)
- School Academic Facilities
(laboratories, sports hall, assembly hall, IT rooms, library, prayer room, art studio, technology room)
- School Contracts
(maintenance, servicing, toilets, vending machines, security surveillance)
- School Clinic *(as per DHA protocol medicine supplies / waste disposal / infections management)*
- Isolation Room *(for suspected/confirmed Covid-19 cases)*
- School Study/Work Areas *(classrooms; administration offices)*
- E-School Management Security
- Transportation *(drop off/pick up – for buses/family cars).*

School Partnership in terms of Safety and Security with:

- Dubai Health Authority (DHA)
- Dubai Municipality (DM)
- Knowledge and Human Development Authority (KHDA)
- Headquarters Police Dubai
- Dubai Civil Defence
- Road and Transport Authority (RTA).

Maintenance contracts are carefully monitored with record keeping:

- Akkad Pest Control Services
- Al Nakheel Safety
- Maintenance Service Agreement (Civil Defense)
- Smart Monitoring System (Civil Defense)

- Rons Enviro Care L.L.C (Water Tank Cleaning Services)
- DulSCO
- URS Testing Laboratory
- Noor Al Khair Computer Trading
- Abonemed Medical Equipment L.L.C
- Route Expert Passengers Transport by Bus Rental
- Mai Dubai Vending Machine

Health and Safety adheres to:

- Annual Medical Examination of Students
- Identification – Monitoring – Records Keeping for suspected/confirmed Covid-19 cases/isolation procedures as per DHA Protocol
- Absenteeism Record Keeping
- Authorized Contracts with licensed companies
- Staff-On-Duty during breaks
- Staff/Students Code of Conduct
- Transport Supervision
- Fire Drill throughout the academic year
- Covid-19 health and safety/preventive measures awareness
- School Facilities Disinfection/Maintenance

Child protection arrangements are in place and shared with Students, Parents and Staff who are well informed about the expected procedures.

E-Safety is aimed at:

- dealing with online challenges
- guidance on the online use of technology
- empowering Students with Online Safety Education, skills and IT tools
- developing innovative, creative and socializing skills through consolidation of Teachers – Students – Parents efforts
- providing IT support/expert consultancy
- managing Password Security, Technical Security and Digital Content
- protecting Data Management
- monitoring Online Safety Incidents
- promoting Anti-Bullying/E-Cyber Safety across all phases.

RIS provides technology for teaching and learning; creates safe and secure environment for children to learn.

E-Safety Risk Assessment:

- Content - what Students see online
- Contact - who they communicate with online
- Code of Conduct - how they act online

E-Challenges Risk Assessment:

- Online bullying
- Access to inappropriate content
- Over-engagement with technology (gaming, social media, screen time)

E-Safety is in relation to:

- Safety Education
 - a) the curriculum reflects the personal, social and technical aspects; differentiation for SoD*
 - b) students are aware of the content they access online; research skills are based on social media resources and copyright regulations.*
- School Policies (E-Cyber Safety; Code of Conduct; Anti-Bullying; Child Protection; Safeguarding; Wellbeing)
- consistent safety messages to all members of the School Community
- communication with the Dubai Police Headquarters
- supervision by Safety Coordinator - *responsible for monitoring incidents and handling sensitive issues*
- the use of mobile technology - users understand the risks associated with the use of mobile technology and are encouraged to be responsible users, both in school (*safe use within School to support teaching and learning*) and outside
- the use of social media – *the content/images/video/links sharing is monitored*
- Staff Training (*all Staff takes active responsibility for E-Safety*).

The use of computer systems, system users and personal data is subject to regular review and updating:

- password security (appropriate password requirements for user access);
- Internet access online at School is filtered for all users/password protected and regularly updated;
- differentiated Internet access is available for Staff and customized filtering changes are managed by School;
- anti-virus and malware prevention is applied and regularly updated across school systems;
- system backups are regularly made and are an integral component of system recovery routines.