

# National Youth Science Forum Commitment to Child Safety

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## Title

National Youth Science Forum Commitment to Child Safety (**Commitment to Child Safety**)

## Purpose

The purpose of this Commitment to Child Safety is to make a public statement declaring National Youth Science Forum's (**NYSF**) commitment to child safety.

## Scope

This Commitment to Child Safety applies to all NYSF staff, contractors, volunteers, NYSF program and event participants, and NYSF program and event content providers, who work with children and young people.

## Commitment to Child Safety

1. NYSF is committed to providing children and young people with a safe and nurturing environment in which they can learn and thrive.
2. NYSF supports, values and respects all children and young people, and is committed to their safety, participation and empowerment.

3. NYSF has zero tolerance for all forms of child abuse or harm against children and young people, and all allegations will be taken seriously and responded to promptly and thoroughly in accordance with our policies and procedures.
4. NYSF is committed to providing a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of all children are respected and valued, including Aboriginal children and young people, children with disabilities, LGBTIQ+ children, and children from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.
5. The safety, welfare and best interests of the child are paramount.

## **Monitoring, Evaluation and Review**

This Commitment to Child Safety will be evaluated and reviewed on an as needs basis, or annually.