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Dear Tamara

Re: Research Project – Mission Australia Youth Survey 2026

Thank you for your application received at this Office on 28 January 2026 requesting permission to contact secondary colleges in our Diocese for this research.

I give in principle approval for you to contact principals from the following schools.

- St Joseph's College, Toowoomba
- St Mary's College, Toowoomba
- St Saviour's College, Toowoomba
- Good Samaritan College, Toowoomba
- St Ursula's College, Toowoomba
- Mary MacKillop Catholic College, Highfields
- Assumption College, Warwick
- Our Lady of the Southern Cross College, Dalby
- St John's School, Roma
- St Joseph's School, Stanthorpe
- St Mary's School, Goondiwindi

I ask that you note that Downlands College, Toowoomba is not governed by Toowoomba Catholic Schools and therefore I cannot provide any approvals for this school.

I will notify the principals of the schools listed above that you may be in touch with them and in particular will remind them of the requirement that if a respondent to the survey indicates they are at risk of harm, Mission Australia will be in touch with the school and provide them with the respondent's date of birth to aid in identifying the student. I will also affirm my expectation that principals would act on this information.

I wish you well for your research and look forward to receiving a copy of the final report.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Coughlan", is positioned above the typed name.

Dr Patrick Coughlan
Executive Director: Catholic Schools
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