

SIE CUSTODIANSHIP GUIDELINES

Before choosing a custodian for your child or before accepting custodianship for a minor child, please ensure you have read and fully understand the following expectations. By assigning or accepting custodianship, **you are confirming that you have read and agree with all the guidelines indicated here.**

A Custodian shall:

- be 25 years of age or older.
- be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident.
- be a full-time resident in the city of Saskatoon.
- ensure that the school and Saskatoon International Education (SIE) have up to date custodian contract information on record (address, phone numbers, email, English speaking contact).
- be easily accessible at all times.
- be in contact with biological parent(s)/legal guardian(s) in times of emergency.
- understand that you are acting as the student's parent(s) and have discussed expectations with the biological parents regarding homework, behavior, free time, curfews and anything else to do with the smooth operation within your home.
- sign papers and permission forms from the school.
- attend disciplinary meetings called by the school administration (suspensions) or SIE if required.
- attend parent/teacher interviews regarding the student's progress, concerns, and educational planning for the student.
- provide support/encouragement for the student by attending performances, sporting events, etc.
- provide the school with a notice in writing if the custodian will be absent from the city, detailing the length of absence and the alternate arrangements (including full contact information) that have been made.
- act as a liaison between the school and the parent(s)/legal guardian(s).
- attend any school or SIE appointments for the student, which will help clarify the role of the custodian, the expectations of the school, and the Saskatchewan school program.
- assist in setting up any appointments (medical, mental health, etc.) needed for the student and attend those appointments with the student.
- take an active role in supporting the student.
- be accountable for making alternate arrangements (in discussion with the biological parent(s)/legal guardian(s)) in the case where the current custodian is no longer able to continue with custodianship for any reason. SIE is not responsible for arranging alternate care of the student but must be kept informed of all changes and arrangements.