

WHO CAN SIGN THIS FORM?

- **A person with parental responsibility:** a parent of a child under 18 years of age, subject to relevant court orders (including parenting orders made under the *Family Law Act 1975* and protection orders made under the *Children, Youth and Families Act 2005* by the Children's Court, or other person granted parental responsibility under a relevant court order).
- **A carer formally authorised by Child Protection to enrol the student:** the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) can issue a written authorisation to the carer of a child in out of home care to make decisions about the child, in some circumstances this will include specific authorisation to enrol the child at school.
- **Informal carer:** an Informal Carer is a relative or other responsible adult with whom the child lives, and who has day to day care of the child. The informal carer should provide an Informal Carer Statutory Declaration to confirm their status as an informal carer. A copy of this statutory declaration can be obtained from www.education.vic.gov.au/PAL/informal-carer-statutory-declaration-template.pdf
- **Students living independently:** If the student is an adult or a mature minor for the purpose of enrolment and they live independently. These students will need to be considered in accordance with the www.education.vic.gov.au/pal/decision-making-responsibilities-students/policy policy.
- **Adult Students:** a student 18 years of age or older is considered an adult and can sign their own consent form.