STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2027
VISION VALLEY, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA
19–21 JANUARY 2027

FAQs

WHAT IS SLC?

SLC 2027 is an annual leadership conference for students from girls' schools. It is organised by the International Coalition of Girls Schools (ICGS). This is the 28th SLC and students come from girls' schools in UK, USA, Australia, New Zealand, and Asia for the live-in residential experience.

A team of highly professional, dedicated and experienced facilitators, mentors and support staff will lead the conference and will inspire, challenge and excite those who attend.

Students will be engaged in a range of activities designed to develop leadership capabilities, resilience and an understanding of their own and other's leadership styles. The conference focuses on developing leadership capability and assisting girls to manage the responsibilities of leadership.

WHO CAN ATTEND?

ICGS member schools can apply to send student delegates. The delegates should be entering their last year of secondary school in 2027 and be their school's key 2027 student leaders. The conference program has been designed specifically for this exclusive cohort of young female leaders. Based on research and feedback from past attendees it responds to the challenges faced by girls on their leadership journey.

The maximum number of students that can be accommodated at the conference is 178.

WHERE WILL SLC 2027 TAKE PLACE?

Pymble Ladies' College Vision Valley campus, 7 Vision Valley Rd, Arcadia, NSW 2159 Australia.

The conference is residential, and it is important that students are available for the full program. The entire program as well as meals and accommodation will be delivered on campus. Vision Valley offers small dormitory-style accommodation with shared bathroom facilities for students. The campus is set on more than 75 acres of land surrounded by national parks and close to the majestic Hawkesbury River and its tributaries.

Vision Valley is about 50 km from Sydney Airport.

Transfers to and from both Sydney airport will be available for delegates arriving on 19 January, the last shuttle will leave the airport at 9.30 am; and for students departing on 21 January buses will leave for the airport at 3.15 pm, and should arrive by 4.30 pm.

WHEN DOES SLC START AND FINISH?

Registration is between 8.30 and 10.00 am on 19 January.
Conference opens on 19 January, 10.30 am.
Conference closes on 21 January, 3.00 pm.

WHICH FLIGHTS SHOULD I BOOK?

If intending to travel on the shuttle bus from the airport on the morning of 19 January, students will need to collect their luggage and meet at the designated departure point at Sydney Airport. The last shuttle will depart at 9.30 am.

Please book a flight that will arrive in time to connect with this service — allow time to collect luggage and to clear customs for international arrivals.

Return shuttles on 21 January will depart Vision Valley at 3.15 pm. Be sure to allow for travel and check-in times when booking departing flights.

ICGS staff will be at the airport to assist students on arrival and departure. We will monitor flights and wait for delayed flights.

WHAT DOES A TYPICAL DAY AT SLC 2027 LOOK LIKE?

Each day will differ but will include spending time in small groups and interactive workshops; making invaluable and lifelong connections with like-minded young female leaders; attending keynotes; participating in team or group challenges, taking time for personal reflection … and having fun!

WHAT IS THE REGISTRATION PROCESS?

Registration is a two-step process:

1. School registration: member schools register places and provide the name and contact details of a staff member who will be available over the conference dates.
2. Student registration: Parents and students complete the online registration form providing personal details and information regarding travel to and from the conference.

24 November: Student registration completed including airport transfer requirements.

WHAT ARE THE RULES?

While at the conference, although duty of care will be exercised by those responsible, students will be treated as young adults with a degree of freedom and choice. Parents need to be comfortable with this situation. A Code of Conduct is part of the registration to be agreed by students and a parent/guardian.

WHAT DO I BRING?

The temperature can vary so come prepared!

Students will be allowed one bag each on the shuttle bus to and from the airport so please restrict packing. This will also make it easier while travelling.

Registration covers all meals, accommodation, shuttle transfers and all activities and materials.

The list below has been designed to cater for the entire time without the need for washing clothes.

Students will NOT be required to bring school uniforms.

Essentially the main activities include:

Three days that will be spent at SLC participating in indoor and outdoor presentations and activities at Vision Valley.

Packing list (please note we may update this and will send a final packing list to delegates) :

- single-bed sheet and pillowcase and pillow
- sleeping bag
- bath towel
- light, but warm jacket
- casual clothing (school uniform is not required)
- pencil case with pens, highlighter and glue stick
- mobile phone with charger
- insect repellent
- sunscreen
- water bottle
- any medication in an unbreakable container labelled with name, reason for medication, type of drug, dosage
- toiletries

Make sure:

- bags, clothes and personal items are identified with name label
- items that contravene school rules are not included.
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WHO DO I CONTACT IF I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

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