

Safeguarding and Prevent Student Information

Our Colleges are a place that inspire and engage both young and mature minds. Our Colleges believe in democracy and the laws of the country, where every individual has a voice that is heard and respected, no matter what their faith or belief. Our Colleges value discussion, debate and learning from others. Our Colleges believe that division belongs in mathematics, not the classroom. There is no place for extremism in our Colleges.

Key Terms

Extremism – Vocal or active opposition to British Values, including democracy, the rule of law individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.

Ideology – A set of beliefs.

Terrorism – A violent act against people or property, designed to create fear and advance a political, religious, or ideological cause.

Radicalisation – The process by which a person comes to support terrorism of extremist ideologies.

What is Prevent?

Prevent is the Government's strategy aimed at stopping people becoming involved with, or supporting, violent extremism and terrorism in all forms.

The Prevent Strategy covers all types of terrorism and extremism, including extreme right wing, violent groups, and other causes.

How does the Prevent Strategy apply to Colleges? Since September 2015, further education and skills providers have been placed under a legal duty to have a due regard to the risk of learners being drawn into terrorism.

This means we have an important role in stopping extremists seeking to radicalise learners and in supporting learners at risk of extremist influences.

We can ensure that learners have a good understanding of British Values and risks and threats of radicalisation and extremism.

We maintain a culture of vigilance and act quickly to ensure our students receive help, support, protection, and justice.

What does this mean in practice?

- We will provide a safe, welcoming environment, where learners are respected and valued.
- To educate and support students to understand Prevent and terrorism and how it can happen and how to protect yourselves and your family and friends.
- Part of the Group's safeguarding duty includes protecting vulnerable individuals from the risk of radicalisation and extremism.
- We will establish and maintain policies and procedures to ensure appropriate action and cooperation takes place.
- The Group will ensure that all staff are fit to work with children and understand their role in relation to the protection of children.
- We provide lots of safeguarding advice and information for students with links to relevant sources of support.

Useful Contacts

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Where to go for more information

Contact the Group

If you have any worries or concerns about the Prevent Strategy and what it means for you or your family, please do not hesitate to contact us.

You will find more details in our Safeguarding Policy and Procedures which are available on the public website:

Safeguarding Policy

Safeguarding Procedures

Handy Links

Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy

Whistleblowing Policy

Guidance on Safe Working Practice

Keeping Children Safe in Education

External Speaker Policy

Equality and Diversity Policy Statement

Wakefield Safeguarding Children Partnership