

Young Carers and Care Experienced Young Person Policy

Scope and Purpose of Policy

This policy is underpinned by the College vision – Inspirational, Inclusive and Influential and will support the College to work towards our key drivers of Quality, Efficiency and Growth. The policy will incorporate the following principles:

- Those who access Cardiff and Vale College must be **free from discrimination**.
- Learners will be supported to **enable** them to achieve their **potential** while at College, in an environment which removes or minimises disadvantage, takes steps to meet their needs and which encourages participation.
- We will support learners to develop the skills they need to **progress** successfully through their lives.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure:

that all children and young people have the right to an education, regardless of what is happening at home. When a young person looks after someone in their family who has a serious illness, disability or substance misuse problem, he or she may need extra support to help him or her get the most out of college. For those learners who are care experienced or have current corporate parents, the College will offer extra support to help them get the most out of College and provide a set of procedures and support.

This policy applies to all learners enrolling on learning programmes regardless of mode or location of study.

This policy applies to all staff within the College.

Policy Statements

The College is committed to:

- Developing procedures to outline how the requirements of the policy will be carried out in practice and which will fully meet associated legislation and guidance.
- Outlining roles and responsibilities as part of the linked procedures.
- Training all staff fully in the linked procedures and the underpinning legislation and guidance; this training will be at an appropriate level for their role.

- Informing all those affected by this policy and the linked procedures of their content along with implications for them; this will include partners and franchise organisations.
- Providing the necessary resources to enable the linked procedures to be achieved efficiently and effectively.
- Recording and monitoring data associated with this policy and its procedures, paying particular reference to any external requirements such as legislation, guidance etc.
- Reviewing the above data to consider the effectiveness of this policy and its procedures to support continuous improvement.
- Ensuring that all prospective learners are treated consistently, impartially and without bias.

Legislation and Guidance

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child Articles 28 and 29
The Children Act 1989
The Social Services and Wellbeing Act 2014
The Wellbeing and Future Generations Act 2015
Carers (Recognition and Services) Act 1995
Carers and Disabled Children Act 2001
Carers (Equal Opportunities) Act 2004

Equality and Diversity Statement

In accordance with College procedures, this Policy was written with consideration of the impact of individuals as per the Equality Act.

Health and Safety Implications

No linked health and safety implications.

Linked Procedures

- FE Admissions
- Criminal Records Disclosure
- Additional Learning Needs
- Financial Contingency Fund
- Travel
- Childcare

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Linked Policies

- a) Higher Education Admissions
- b) Criminal Records Disclosure
- c) Financial Contingency Fund
- d) Transport
- e) Fee Policy
- f) Additional Learning Needs

Location and Access to the Policy

This is available from the website/ staff intranet/ Moodle and may be out of date if printed.
There is a Welsh version of this document available.

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