

# Anti-Radicalisation Policy – PREVENT

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UK Guardians is intent on creating a safe and inclusive learning climate where all pupils learn to understand others, value and embrace cultural diversity and develop essential critical thinking, representational and leadership skills.

All students are encouraged to stretch their thinking to understand opposing views and ideologies and are taught respect for cultural and religious differences. Multicultural education is important in any form of learning and students are guided to acquire the knowledge, attitudes and skills needed to function in an ethnically and racially diverse world.

As part of wider safeguarding responsibilities UK Guardians ensures that:

- Any messages communicated to students support fundamental British values.
- Any messages communicated to students are consistent with our mission and do not marginalize any races, faiths or cultures.
- All permanent and voluntary members of staff have a good understanding of Prevent and know how to recognize vulnerability to being drawn into terrorism and act upon.

All staff have enough training that equips them with the knowledge and confidence to identify vulnerable students at risk of being radicalized and know where and how to refer pupils for further help.

It is essential that staff are aware and can identify students that may be vulnerable to radicalisation and know what to do once they have been identified.

Protecting children from the risk of radicalisation should be seen as part of schools' and childcare providers' wider safeguarding duties, and is similar in nature to protecting children from other harms (e.g. drugs, gangs, neglect, sexual exploitation), whether these come from within their family or are the product of outside influences.

The general risks affecting children and young people may vary from area to area, and according to their age. Local Guardians are in an important position to identify risks within a given local context. It is important that UKG understand these risks so that we can respond in an appropriate and proportionate way. At the same time UKG should be aware of the increased risk of online radicalisation.

If a member of staff has a concern about a particular student, they should discuss this with the DSL, and where deemed necessary by a Partner, with children's social care.

In Prevent priority areas, the local authority will have a Prevent lead who can also provide support.

UKG may also contact the local police force. This is to gain professional advice if needed.

Any concerns you may have please raise with:

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