



Keeping our College Communities Safe

British Values and the Prevent Strategy



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Introduction

North Warwickshire & Hinckley College and South Leicestershire College is committed to creating and maintaining a safe and positive environment for all children and vulnerable adults. This document outlines our Colleges' shared Mission and Vision and how we embed British Values and the Prevent Strategy to safeguard our communities.

Our Mission

To achieve success through learning.

Our Vision

We will be an irresistible learning partner to individuals and businesses driving up productivity and growth within North Warwickshire and South Leicestershire.

It is our aim that all North Warwickshire & Hinckley College and South Leicestershire College students are able to contribute effectively to the wider community, using the skills and knowledge they have acquired during their time at College. As well as being fully engaged in their learning experience, we want our students to become responsible and well-rounded individuals.



Our Values

Our College Strategic Plan confirms a Mission and Vision to place “the College at the heart of the community” through the following values:

- **Continually strive for excellence**
- **Act with integrity**
- **Be accountable**
- **Nurture**
- **Inspire**
- **Be entrepreneurial**
- **Be responsive**
- **Respect, support and challenge**

A student at North Warwickshire & Hinckley College or South Leicestershire College will always be:

Ready, Responsible and Respectful.

To download a copy of our Strategic Plan, visit our websites www.nwhc.ac.uk and www.slcollege.ac.uk



Safeguarding

Safeguarding is a term used to describe the duties and responsibilities that those providing a health, social or education service have to protect individuals from harm.

North Warwickshire & Hinckley College and South Leicestershire College are committed to creating and maintaining a safe and positive environment for all young people and vulnerable adults, and fully recognise our responsibility to help safeguard the welfare of students and protect them from harm.

The welfare of young people and vulnerable adults is paramount and both Colleges take seriously their duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of students in their care. This includes the duty to have due regard to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and the duty to report where female genital mutilation appears to have been carried out on a girl aged under 18.

Everyone who comes into contact with young people and vulnerable adults and their families has a role to play in safeguarding them. College staff are particularly important as they are in a position to identify concerns early and provide help to prevent concerns from escalating.

Colleges and their staff form part of the wider safeguarding system. Staff members should maintain an attitude of 'it could happen here' where safeguarding is concerned, and, if concerned about the welfare of a young person or vulnerable adult, including that they may be being drawn into activity related to terrorism, staff members should always act in the interests of that young person or vulnerable adult.





To report a concern about the welfare of a young person or vulnerable adult, speak to the Safeguarding Team at North Warwickshire & Hinckley College or South Leicestershire College:

North Warwickshire & Hinckley College

Call: 024 7624 3000

Email: safe@nwhc.ac.uk

South Leicestershire College

Call: 0116 264 3535

Email: safe@slcollege.ac.uk

To download a copy of our Safeguarding Policy, go to our websites www.nwhc.ac.uk and www.slcollege.ac.uk

British Values

The government set out their definition of British Values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy. In 2014, the Department for Education published guidance on promoting British Values in schools to ensure young people leave school and college prepared for life in Modern Britain.

At North Warwickshire & Hinckley College and South Leicestershire College, we are dedicated to promoting values which ensure that our students develop a strong sense of social and moral responsibility. We prepare our students for life in Modern Britain by developing an understanding of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

Democracy

The principle of democracy is consistently being reinforced at both Colleges, as all students are encouraged to debate topics of interest, express their views and make a meaningful contribution to the running of the Colleges on matters that directly involve students.

The rule of law

The importance of laws, whether they be those that govern the class, the College or the country, are consistently reinforced at both Colleges.

Individual liberty

Students are actively encouraged to make independent choices with the knowledge that they are in a safe, secure and supportive environment. Staff at both Colleges educate and provide boundaries for students to make informed choices, through a safe environment and an empowering education.





Mutual Respect and Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

Respect is a strong part of our College Communities and is part of both Colleges' shared Values. Students learn that their behaviour has an effect on their own rights and those of others. All members of our College Communities treat each other with respect and this is reiterated through our teaching and learning environments.

Students are helped to acquire an understanding of, and respect for, their own and other cultures and ways of life. Our Colleges welcome those with varying backgrounds and we teach our students to understand their place in a culturally diverse society. Staff and students are encouraged to challenge prejudicial or discriminatory behaviour wherever it occurs.

North Warwickshire and Hinckley College and South Leicestershire College always strive to ensure that students leave with the strongest foundation of values upon which to build a successful life and make a successful contribution to society.

We have a robust anti-bullying culture and have in place a comprehensive Behaviour Policy that promotes achievement for all students.



The Prevent Strategy

Prevent is one of the four elements of CONTEST, the government's counter-terrorism strategy. It aims to stop people becoming terrorists or being drawn into supporting terrorism. The UK faces a range of terrorist threats. All the terrorist groups who pose a threat to us seek to radicalise and recruit people to their cause.

The Prevent Strategy seeks to:

- Respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and aspects of extremism, and the threat we face from those who promote these views
- Provide practical help to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure they are given appropriate advice and support
- Work with a wide range of sectors where there are risks of radicalisation which needs to be addressed, including education, criminal justice, faith, charities, the internet and health

Colleges have a responsibility to promote the values of openness and mutual tolerance and respect to facilitate free debate which are the characteristics of British citizenship.

North Warwickshire & Hinckley College and South Leicestershire College take all reasonable steps to promote and safeguard the welfare of all individuals engaged in college activities. The Colleges are committed to the creation of an inclusive and safe community which does not allow for individuals or groups to be stigmatised, marginalised or excluded from college life.





How we embed Prevent within our College Communities

- P** Promotion of Equality and Diversity and positive relationships between students
- R** Referral of any concerns via Safeguarding staff to relevant authorities
- E** Education for students on specific courses, and tutorials
- V** Vetting and removal of any posters or other materials of an extremist nature
- E** Environment – a safe and secure site with CCTV, sufficient security procedures and online filters
- N** News monitoring for any concerns in the locality
- T** Training of staff to raise awareness of the signs and risks

Where to get help

If you have any concerns about Prevent or the Colleges, please contact a member of the Safeguarding teams on:

North Warwickshire & Hinckley College

Call: 024 7624 3000

Email: safe@nwhc.ac.uk

South Leicestershire College

Call: 0116 264 3535

Email: safe@scollege.ac.uk

You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

If there is an imminent threat of harm to others phone the Police on 999 or the Anti-terrorist hotline on 0800 789 3215.





Useful sources

CEOP – www.ceop.gov.uk

CEOP works with child protection partners to across the UK and overseas to identify the main threats to children and co-ordinates activity against these threats to bring offenders to account, protecting children from harm on line

BBC Webwise – www.bbc.co.uk/webwise

For general information

Childline – www.childline.org.uk

Childline Helpline: 020 7340 7264

Childline offers help for those concerned about extremism in a school or organisation that works with children, or if you have concerns of a child that might be of risk of



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