

University of Chichester Academy Trust

Safeguarding Statement

The University of Chichester Academy Trust is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, governors and volunteers to share in this commitment. The Trust ensures that rigorous arrangements are in place in every academy to identify, assess, and support those children who are suffering harm and to keep them safe and secure. Safeguarding is fully incorporated into the Trust ethos and is underpinned through the teaching of the curriculum and within the safety of the physical environment provided for the pupils.

The Trust produces a Child Protection Policy on an annual basis which is updated to ensure it meets Government requirements to keep children safe in education. This policy is used by all of our schools and further safeguarding information is included to personalise it to the school.

*Each Trust academy is responsible for ensuring that there is a school-based policy statement and a set of procedures which make clear how the school effectively implements their Local Authority Child Protection (Safeguarding) policy within their local context. The documents that schools develop at the local level must meet relevant **regulatory requirements**, including for an Early Years phase (EYFS) if applicable.*