

Citizenship Policy

The Education Fellowship academies will ensure that all students are given the opportunity to learn about Citizenship (SMSC) and aim to:

- ♥ provide students with the information they need to participate in democratic society, knowing their rights and responsibilities
- ♥ develop in students the skills necessary to make constructive contributions to communities
- ♥ help students practise the skills of democracy
- ♥ enable students to assimilate values which are the foundation for participatory Citizenship in adult life

The academy will secure and promote the value of Citizenship (SMSC) by:

- ♥ establishing a welcoming and inclusive ethos for all
- ♥ expecting all to follow a code of conduct which is founded on the value of mutual respect
- ♥ encouraging self-evaluation and target setting as aids to progress and improvement
- ♥ encouraging review and consultation in all areas of academy activity
- ♥ eliciting the views of all members of the academy when changes are proposed to the way the academy is run, wherever appropriate, relevant and practical
- ♥ expecting all to value human individuality, diversity and equality of opportunity
- ♥ expecting all to commit themselves to honesty, justice, truth and trust
- ♥ making opportunities for students to learn and practise social and environmental responsibility
- ♥ recognising and celebrating all kinds of genuine achievement
- ♥ challenging discrimination and stereotyping

The academy will ensure that all students are given the opportunity to learn about and practice the skills of Citizenship (SMSC) using the following methods:

- ♥ teachers of all subjects reinforce Citizenship (SMSC) education when teaching topics which include a Citizenship (SMSC) dimension
- ♥ PSHE includes topics which focus specifically on Citizenship (SMSC) knowledge, skills and values

- ♥ extra-curricular activities develop and reinforce students' awareness of their role as members of a working community
- ♥ extra-curricular programmes encourages the involvement of students in planning, preparing, running and evaluating activities and events
- ♥ specific whole academy activities are held to help students improve knowledge and understanding of Citizenship (SMSC) issues

Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

The quality and effectiveness of Citizenship provision throughout the academy will be monitored and evaluated through:

- ♥ an annual audit by senior leaders to evaluate where the programmes of study for Citizenship is being extended and developed
- ♥ a central records is kept of all Citizenship (SMSC) activities across the academy and is used to monitor the extent to which the programmes of study for Citizenship are being extended and developed
- ♥ teachers/tutors monitor the involvement of students in activities which help them learn and practise Citizenship