

Safeguarding Organisation Position Statement

Yeovil College believes that it is always unacceptable for a learner to experience abuse of any kind. It recognises its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all learners by commitment to appropriate policies, procedures and practice.

The College recognises that:

- the safety of all learners is paramount.
- all learners, regardless of age, disability, gender, race, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity have the right to equal protection from all forms of harm or abuse.
- listening to learners, staff and other agencies helps to foster a safe learning environment.

We will seek to safeguard all learners by:

- valuing them, listening to them and respecting them.
- ensuring that robust policies and procedures are in place and regularly reviewed.
- providing staff and volunteers with guidance and procedures to deal with situations where they suspect a learner may be experiencing, or be at risk of, harm.
- ensuring there is a code of conduct for learners, staff and volunteers.
- sharing information about concerns with relevant agencies.
- involving learners and their parents or carers appropriately.
- recruiting staff according to safe practices.