



# Safeguarding & Prevent

## British Values

### Pocket Guide

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At LECB we are here to keep you safe, if you have any concerns about your safety or someone else, please talk to a member of our safeguarding team.

### How we help to keep you safe

At the Learning & Enterprise College Bexley we are committed to ensuring your wellbeing by upholding the British Values of Democracy, The Rule of Law, Individual Liberty and Respect & Tolerance, but it is the responsibility of staff and students to report any concerns and/or seek advice.

Our safeguarding team is there to support you and to find and contact agencies who can provide further help if required.

### Safeguarding

What is a Safeguarding concern?

You may have cause to be concerned about:

- Neglect
- Online Safety
- Domestic violence
- Emotional, mental, sexual or physical abuse
- Financial abuse
- Bullying or harassment
- Radicalisation or extremism
- Exploitation (sexual / modern slavery)

### What is Radicalisation?

Radicalisation is adopting increasingly extreme political, social or religious ideals which undermine society and choice. This may result in an individual or groups being encouraged to take part in violent or extreme actions or joining groups that promote these.

### Prevent

The national strategy to support people who are vulnerable to extremism is called Prevent. It aims to stop people engaging in or supporting terrorism of any kind.

Someone may be thought to be vulnerable because of the extreme views they express or the threats they make. They may be feeling isolated and disaffected and be looking for a sense of belonging. Some may be influenced through social media, family and friends.

Prevent aims to work with these people and support them through a variety of interventions to help stop their further engagement in extremism.

### Who to contact

Please contact a member of our safeguarding team in confidence.

All contact information is on the reverse of this leaflet.

# DEMOCRACY

## Your opinion counts. Participation in politics.

The principle of government by elected representatives working on behalf of the public.

The government is accountable to its electors through free and fair elections with an equal right to vote. In this way, every voter is involved in decision making and plays their part in political life.

Our Student Surveys and the Learner Voice give the opportunity for our students to express their views and make their voice heard.

We operate a regulated complaints procedure if you feel you are not being dealt with fairly.

**Learner Voice:** Speak to our Student Services Manager for information. You can email: [enquiries@lecb.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@lecb.ac.uk)

**Complaints:** Copies of our complaints procedure are available from reception at all our sites.

# THE RULE OF LAW

## No one is above the law. The law protects everyone.

A vital part of any democracy, the rule of law requires every individual and organisation to be subject to fairly applied rules rather than the arbitrary decisions of one or more privileged individuals.

In the College, our Student Handbook & Code of Conduct set out the rules and standards that the College and its students must follow.

The Student Handbook details our policies in areas such as refunds, transfers and examinations.

The Student Code of Conduct specifically identifies behaviour which is unacceptable and may result in exclusion to protect other students.

**Student Handbook & Code of Conduct:** Go to [www.lecb.ac.uk](http://www.lecb.ac.uk), select **Support** from the menu bar and **Student Handbook** from the dropdown menu.

# INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY

## Freedom of speech. Human rights.

Individual Liberties include our basic human rights and freedom of speech, protected by the rule of law.

Freedom of speech can be defined as the right to express one's opinions without censorship, restraint, or penalty. In a democracy, this applies to people of all opinions.

This freedom is not a licence to abuse, bully or harass others and our Student Code of Conduct clearly defines the standards expected.

We also believe in the right to education and provide support for students with disabilities and financial assistance through our College charity to help financially disadvantaged students.

**Cultural Calendar:** Displayed in all our sites and local libraries.

**Disability Statement:** Go to [www.lecb.ac.uk](http://www.lecb.ac.uk), select **Support** from the menu bar and **Supported Learning** from the dropdown menu.

# RESPECT & TOLERANCE

## Acceptance of others regardless of differences.

In a diverse society, with different people from varied backgrounds and cultures, holding different beliefs and ideals, harmony can only be achieved by mutual respect and acceptance of one another as we are.

There is no place in the College for prejudice, discrimination or disrespect of others.

We accept everyone equally, regardless of their background, religion, age, gender or sexuality and celebrate diversity through our Cultural Calendar.

We have detailed policies on disability and safeguarding and the College is also an accredited disability confident employer.

**Safeguarding Policy:** Go to [www.lecb.ac.uk](http://www.lecb.ac.uk), select **Support** from the menu bar and **Safeguarding & Prevent** from the dropdown menu.