

Spiritual, Moral, Social, and Cultural Development in College Policy			
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1. General/Summary

- 1.1. This policy applies to all students and staff associated with Eastern Education Group (EEG) (at each relevant College including West Suffolk College, Abbeygate Sixth Form College, and One Sixth Form College).

2. Procedure

A SMSC programme has been running in our College for some years, formally known as PSHE. This programme includes the following areas: -

Citizenship – our Colleges actively promote citizenship through the character strengths of resilience, curiosity, optimism, ambition, ownership, self-control, respect and confidence, which are installed and embedded throughout all aspects of the curriculum and general college life. Subjects like voting and volunteering are included in our offer.

Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco – students will have an opportunity to gain information on drugs, alcohol and smoking on a regular basis. Information providers will be invited into College to hold information stands and conduct class activities. School nurses attend our colleges regularly to provide students with support and information.

Emotional Health and Wellbeing – information events concerning mental health and wellbeing will be held during the academic year. These will take different forms from one off topics to large fayres with many tall holders, and will include an event especially targeted at Support learning students.

Nutrition and Physical Activity – students will have an opportunity to gain information on nutrition and the importance of physical activity during the College year. Where possible the College will promote healthy option food and drink in our catering services.

Personal Finance – account providers will be invited into College at the

fresher’s event so that students can open bank accounts. Links will be made with the Inland Revenue so that learners can explore self-employment opportunities.

Sex and Relationships – Suffolk Sexual Health Services will run clinics in College. Sexual health and relationship promotional events take place during the year in line with national events e.g., Sexual Health Awareness Week. Chlamydia testing will also be readily available. In addition, sexual health advice will be available along with condoms in Student Welfare and other members of the Wrap around support team.

Careers Education Programme – careers advice will be available to all students to advise on their opportunities in relation to progression such as Higher Education, Further Education, employment, and apprenticeships. In addition, trips will take place to inform students of work/career opportunities within their chosen area of study. Other enrichment activities will also take place during each academic to promote skills for work e.g., team building.

Spirituality – We have two college Chaplains provided in partnership with CYM Christian Youth Ministries. Our Chaplains are contactable via the Welfare Offices in each of our college. They will offer support to students and staff and pay special attention to our students with additional needs. They off group work, and individual support including courses like Kintsugi.

British Values (College Values) – students should have activities and information centered around British Values and the College British Values policy. They will also be provided with information on the College Values that we hold, as these will be embedded in all aspects of their time with us at College.

Revision History – Policy name

Revision date	Reason for revision	Section number	Changes made
July 2024	EEG Policy	All	Updated to EEG accessible Policy under new Policy Standardisation.