

Fusion Education Support

Emergency Procedure

Statement

The safety of our students is our main priority. *Fusion Education Support* (to be referred as FES hereafter) acknowledges that there may be situations out of their control that require planning for. This plan outlines what *FES* will do in the event of an emergency. (Please note that the scenarios are not exhaustive.)

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Dealing with an emergency

It is important that staff who receive an emergency call keep calm and remember to note all of the information provided. You may need to provide reassurance and support to the informant as they may be upset, suffering from shock or may panic.

- Ascertain out what has happened, gathering as much information as you can;
- Discuss with the informant what action needs to be taken and by whom;
- Keep a written record of the information and of any actions taken. (A template for recording incidents is included at end of this plan);
- The directors should be informed immediately about the situation.

Specific scenarios

Please note that specific scenarios may require a bespoke plan that will include further details on how we will handle the issue. Where this is the case *FES* will circulate the plan with all relevant parties.

Cancelled Flights

When a student's flight is cancelled in the UK *FES* will arrange for suitable care. If necessary students will be accommodated in an emergency homestay until it is possible to travel. Where a student is waiting at an airport without a member of our staff, students are required to contact *FES* as soon as they are aware that their flights have been cancelled. Parents will be kept fully informed of the situation. *FES* will liaise with the airline and parents to rearrange the flights.

Pandemic/ Contagious Outbreak

Pandemics can cause major disruption to travel and schooling. It is important in such events to take advice from the government, UK Health Security Agency and the World Health Organisation. AEGIS provides guidance for members to follow. This is regularly updated as a situation develops. Usually, in a pandemic it is important to restrict movement so as not to spread the disease further. That means boarding school students would usually remain at school. In the event of a pandemic *FES* may not be able to offer homestay accommodation as this could place students, homestay families and the wider community at risk. *FES* will work with parents to find flights to home countries where required. *FES* will work with schools to meet students' needs during a pandemic. This could be by helping to support students to learn remotely as directed by the school. *FES* will work with parents and schools to find suitable quarantine accommodation for students where required.



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FES has a specific policy that outlines our procedures for dealing with a pandemic which can be found on company website: www.fusionedu.co.uk

Serious injury or death of a student

Serious injury or death of a student is distressing for all concerned. FES will:

- Liaise with medical staff and police
- Keep parents informed
- Help parents arrange flights
- Handle any media enquiries
- Liaise with schools and any other external agencies (such as LSP) where required
- If required, assist parents with rehabilitation and flights home
- If required, assist parents with funeral arrangements

Terrorist incident

Schools will have their own lockdown procedures to ensure the safety of students in the event of a terror attack. In the event of a terror attack taking place in the UK when a student is staying at a homestay, *FES* will follow the guidance provided by the UK government and the police. Unless instructed otherwise, students will be asked to remain in the homestay and not to go out unaccompanied by their homestay. In such a situation *FES* will assess the risks and act accordingly.

Fire

In the event of a fire at a homestay, after dealing with the emergency by calling the fire brigade, the homestay is expected to inform *FES*. Students will be moved to a different homestay until the accommodation is refurbished. *FES* will visit the homestay to check the suitability of accommodation before any students return.

School closures

There are many reasons why a school may close. These could be temporary, such as due to weather or a staff shortage or permanent, for example due to bankruptcy. Unless closure is due to a contagious disease (see pandemic guidance above), *FES* will provide accommodation for students with their homestays*.

Requests from schools to remove a student

FES has a plan in place for any student who cannot be accommodated by the school due to illness, disciplinary action or any other cause. The school usually will liaise with the allocated guardian who is dedicated for the student in such cases. The dedicated guardian is responsible for taking over the care and arrange immediate accommodation. Where the dedicated guardian is for any reason not able to respond or react in abovementioned manner, FES will be contacted by the School or the Student or the dedicated guardian via monitored email man@fusionedu.co.uk or student care hotline: 0800 052 5278. FES student care team will arrange an alternative guardian who can take over the responsibilities and provide student care service within the organisation at the soonest possible time.



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Emergency Homestay Accommodation*

Please note that emergency homestay placements may not necessarily be with the students' usual homestay, but will be with one of our vetted homestays who provide high levels of care. These homestays may be a greater distance from the school. Wherever possible we will place students with their usual homestay.

Emergency Contact Details- Guardian Organisation staff

| Organisation | Contact details | Comments |
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| Fay Yiu Director | 07471 68 534 fay@fusionedu.co.uk | In principle, this contact is available 24x7 |
| Student Care Team | 0800 052 5278 man@fusionedu.co.uk | In principle, this contact is available 24x7 and a dedicated person is in charge of monitoring these communication channels. |

Contact Details- other organisations

| Contact details | |
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| Tel: 999 (24 hour) | |
| Tel: 101 (24 hour, non-emergency number) | |
| Tel: 999 (24 hour) | |
| Tel: 999 (24 hour) | |
| Tel: 111 (24 hour) | |
| Tel: 01453 821 293 | |
| Tel: 0207 008 1500 (24 hour, consular assistance) | |
| Tel: 0345 988 1188 (24 hour Floodline) | |
| Tel: 0370 900 0100 (24 hour, weather desk) | |
| Incident Contact Centre: 0345 300 9923 (Monday to Friday 8.30am until 5pm) | |
| Out of hours duty officer (24 hour): 0151 922 9235 | |
| HSE: Information about health and safety at work | |
| UK Health Security Agency - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) | |
| Main Switchboard: 020 7654 8000 | |
| Email: enquiries@ukhsa.gov.uk | |
| World Health Organization (WHO) | |
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Incident record form

Staff should complete this form when receiving information about an emergency incident. Please ensure that you obtain and record as much information as possible.

| Name of informant: | Date and time of call: | Date and time of call: | | |
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| Contact details of informant: | l | | | |
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| Date and time of incident: | | | | |
| Nature of Incident: | | | | |
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| Location of incident: | | | | |
| Who is involved? | | | | |
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| Ascertain whether anyone has injuries and if so wh | nere have they been taken to? | | | |
| Have the emergency services been informed? If so, what instructions have they given? | | | | |
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| Who has been informed: (Tick which apply) | | | | |
| Owner/Director of Guardianship Organisation | Police | | | |
| Parents | Ambulance services | | | |
| Homestays | Fire services | | | |
| Agents | Local Safeguarding Partnership/ LADO | | | |
| School | Health and Safety Executive | | | |
| Students | Media | | | |
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| AEGIS | Other: (Please add) | | | |
| Action to be taken: | | | | |
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Incident record: Specific Contact Details-for completion during an emergency

This table can be used to record any additional contact details required for a specific emergency.

| Organisation | Contact details | Comments |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Student's Parents | Can be found in student's personal profile. | Note: the parents might not be in the UK. |
| Student's Relatives or Family Friends | Can be found in student's personal profile. | Note: this is nominated and recorded by the student's parents and they are often in the UK. |
| Student's School Contacts | Can be found in student's personal profile. | Note: this is the student's UK school information. |
| Student's GP | Can be found in student's personal profile. | Note: UK doctor |



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Review

We are committed to reviewing our plan and good practice annually.

This emergency plan was last reviewed on: 12 July 2024

Signed:, directo

Date: 12 July 2024