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Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development

1. Introduction

At West Sussex Alternative Provision College, the promotion of pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural education is addressed across the whole school.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development is promoted not only through all the subjects of the curriculum but also through the ethos of the school and through the development of positive attitudes and values.

This statement supports and reinforces the aims of our school, valuing all children and staff equally and as individuals.

2. Principles

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development is crucial for helping individual pupils grow and develop as people.

It is an expectation at West Sussex Alternative Provision College that all staff, in all subjects, can and should make a contribution to the Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development of pupils through the taught curriculum and through the use of appropriate teaching and learning strategies such as discussion, reflection, pupil participation, tutor time etc.

The importance of relationships between all school staff, parents and governors is fundamental. These relationships will be characterised by mutual respect, by positive attitudes, by the willingness to listen and be listened to and by the valuing of all pupils.

3. General Aims for Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development

West Sussex Alternative Provision College offers a broad and balanced curriculum:

- To promote the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils at the school and of society
- To promote British values
- To prepare pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life
- To promote respect and consideration for differences in gender, race, religion
- To help each pupil achieve their full potential across all areas of the curriculum
- To develop the individual strengths of all pupils and to help and provide support in areas for development
- To inspire and stimulate the pupils in order to foster a love of learning and enquiry, to reason rationally and to apply themselves to tasks and physical skills
- To help our pupils towards independent learning and to equip them with all life skills in order for them to take their place in a fast changing society
- To ensure there is continuity and progression in skills, knowledge and understanding in all areas of the curriculum
- To develop skills for employability and the world of work
- To develop respect for religious and moral values and understanding of other races, religions and ways of life
- To help the pupils understand the world in which they live





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- ✗ To develop a sense of responsibility, consideration for others, self-respect and self confidence
- ✗ To promote good relationships between home, school and the local and wider communities

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