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Exclusions Policy

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Updates since last edition

The previous detailed Exclusions Policy has been removed from the Trust policy library and replaced with this version, which serves to highlight that Discovery Educational Trust and its Schools place reliance on Department for Education (DfE) guidance.

The most recent guidance was published in May 2023 and will become effective as of 1 September 2023:

[Suspension and Permanent Exclusion from maintained schools, academies and pupil referral units in England, including pupil movement](#) – Guidance for maintained school, academies, and pupil referral units in England (DfE May 2023).

Note for parents/carers:

The DfE has published new guidance for parents and carers, which also comes into effect from 1 September 2023 – [A guide for parents on school behaviour and exclusion](#) (DfE May 2023).

This document and both of the above links are available on the Trust and individual School websites.