



Overarching Policy Statement

The South East Surrey Schools Education Trust (SESSET) recognises the uniqueness of each of its partner schools and the demographics which they serve. Varying local needs and opportunities will require schools to align their activities and ways of working strategically and sensitively to provide the best possible service to these distinctive communities.

SESSET welcomes this diversity and the opportunities it offers to draw upon the expertise of staff in all its schools and to offer valuable professional development opportunities for those staff in working collaboratively in a variety of contexts.

It is also recognised that, whilst all schools are required to publish statutory policies, the detail of these may vary from school to school. Individual schools may also choose to adopt non-statutory policies to address specific areas of their activity and these policies may not be common to all schools. In certain instances schools may choose to maintain, adopt and/or adapt existing Surrey County Council model policies. For this reason SESSET has, through its Scheme of Delegation, delegated the responsibility for the publication and oversight of all statutory and additional school policies to the Local Governing Bodies of each school. Each Local Governing Body is, therefore, accountable to the Trustees for the proper execution of its policies and procedures and the resolution of any matters arising from them.

The role of the SESSET Trustees is to assure that statutory and any other relevant and appropriate policies and procedures are in place and are followed, but not to be involved in the detailed content or substance of such policies and procedures.

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