Children with Health Needs (who cannot attend School) Policy

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1	July 2021	New Policy
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1. Introduction

Endeavour Academy / Apollo Schools Trust recognises that all children, regardless of circumstance or setting should receive a good education to enable them to shape their own futures.

2. Aims

This policy aims to ensure:

- Suitable education is arranged for pupils on roll who cannot attend school due to health needs.
- Pupils, staff, and parents/carers understand what the school is responsible for when this education is being provided by the local authority.

3. Legislation

The policy reflects the requirements of:

- The Education Act 1996 (Section 19)
- The Equality Act 2010

4. Links to Other Policies

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following policies:

- Accessibility Policy and Plan
- Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Safeguarding
- Supporting Students/Pupils with Medical Needs

5. Working Together

Initially, the Academy will attempt to arrange to deliver suitable education for children with health needs who are unable to attend school.

Should the Academy be unable to make suitable arrangements the Local Authority (LA) will become responsible for arranging suitable education.

In cases where the LA makes the arrangements the Academy will:

- Work with the LA, providers, relevant agencies, and parents/carers to ensure the best outcomes for the pupil/student.
- Share information with the LA and relevant health services as required.

- Help to ensure that the provision offered is as effective as possible and that the student/pupil can be reintegrated back into school successfully.

6. Reintegration

Where reintegration is anticipated the Academy will work with the LA to:

- Plan for consistent provision during and after the period of education outside the Academy, allowing the student/pupil to access the same curriculum and materials that they would have used in the Academy as far as is practicable.
- Enable the student/pupil to stay in touch with school life (e.g., through newsletters, emails, invitations to school events or internet links to lessons).
- Create individual tailored reintegration plans for each student/pupil returning to the Academy.
- Consider and implement any reasonable adjustments.

7. Useful Links/Additional Information

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/941900/health_needs_guidance_accessible.pdf

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/alternative-provision-education-outside-school