Premises Management Statement



AGORA LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

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The Agora Learning Partnership requires all of its academies to comply with appropriate legislation, including health and safety, for all policies and procedures relating to the condition of the estate. This includes safe management and maintenance of aspects such as asbestos, fire safety and statutory testing. Where the Trust introduces a system or software for supporting and evidencing compliance, all Academies are required to fully adopt these arrangements.

The Agora Learning Partnership's Health and Safety Statement is the lead document for health and safety within the Trust and applies to all staff, governors, visitors and contractors. This statement can be found on the Trust's website at this **link**. Each Academy Governing Board (AGB) is required to establish specific health and safety policy statements and organisational arrangements to implement the Trust's policy, in line with Hertfordshire County Council's model policy and guidance. This includes, among others, risk assessments, monitoring and inspection, fire safety and asbestos.

The Trust requires all if its academies to have an accessibility plan which follows guidance issued to schools by the DfE: **Equality Act 2010**: **advice for schools**

The Agora Learning Partnership also expects its academies to consider additional non-statutory advice on premises management provided by the Department for Education for:

1. The fundamentals of good estate management

An overview of the important policies, processes and documents schools should aim to have in place.

2. Standards for school premises

Guidance to help schools and local authorities understand their obligations in relation to the School Premises Regulations 2012.

3. Emergency planning and response

How schools and other educational settings should plan for and deal with emergencies, including severe weather and floods.