



Guidance

Timeline for pupil referral units: mandatory

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[Keeping children safe in education](#) is statutory guidance for all schools and colleges. Statutory guidance sets out what schools and local authorities must do to comply with the law. You should follow the guidance unless you have a very good reason not to.

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We updated the guidance to reflect the new 'prevent duty' and mandatory reporting of female genital mutilation in July 2015. We also provided more information on the admission register and children that go missing from education.

We are considering policy changes to the guidance, and, subject to the government's priorities, will run a public consultation that will start in September 2015.

NEW

September 2015: curriculum and qualifications

Sixth-form students taking 1-year GCSE English or maths courses in September 2015 must enrol on one of the existing GCSE courses. Those starting 2-year courses in September 2015 or any course in September 2016 must enrol on the new GCSE course. From September 2015, full-time students holding a grade D GCSE in English and/or maths must enrol on GCSE English and/or maths for that student's place to be funded.

The Education Funding Agency (EFA) [published guidance on maths and English conditions of funding post 16](#).

NEW

September 2015: finance

Local authorities will receive their first instalments of the primary PE and sport premium for distribution to local-authority-maintained schools on 29 October 2015. Academies and free schools will receive their payments directly from the Education Funding Agency (EFA) on 2 November. Schools should read the [revised grant conditions and guidance](#).

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