

<p>Safeguarding Policy (Section F) / Welfare & Implementing Safeguarding Policy and Procedure</p>	<p>FOR ETOs & PARENTS AND/OR LEGAL GUARDIANS OF U18s</p>
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F12. PRIVATE FOSTERING

OVERVIEW

Capital School of English (CSE) believes that all students have a right to live, study, develop and achieve in a safe and supportive environment. All members of the school community (staff, homestay providers, group leaders and parents or legal guardians) have a responsibility to **safeguard** all students, and an extra **Duty of Care** for students under 18 (U18s). Part of our safeguarding responsibility is to ensure a child under the age of 16 (or 18 if they're disabled) is being looked after under the necessary arrangements according to UK law.

WHAT IS PRIVATE FOSTERING?

Private fostering means a child under the age of 16 (or 18 if they're disabled) is being looked after for 28 days or longer by someone who's not a close relative.

CSE PRIVATE FOSTERING

At present CSE does not accept child under the age of 16 (or 18 if they're disabled) for 28 days or longer.

If this was to change, CSE would register the necessary homestay providers with Bournemouth Council and follow the necessary Private Fostering routes.

For more information,

<http://www.bournemouth.gov.uk/childreducation/PrivateFostering/WhatisPrivateFostering.aspx>