

# Information for parents/guardians of students aged under 16

All students at The Language Training co receive high-quality tuition in the classroom and outstanding support from our staff throughout their experience and, wherever possible, an additional level of care is provided to students under the age of 16.

## **Enrolling under-16 students**

• Students enrolling on a junior course are required to do a full package of English classes and activities. Students under 16 will not be given a key for the host family and will not be allowed to go home before the activities or classes finish. If you do NOT want your child to do activities, we will check with you that they have a guardian (or an agent) to take care of them after the classes have finished. The school cannot provide childcare for any student under 16 that is not doing activities.

As under 16-year-olds are not considered adults by UK law, The Language Training co School of English must receive a completed, signed and dated (by a parent / guardian) consent form for all under 16-year-olds enrolling on a course. This form is mandatory and must be returned to The Language Training co prior to the start of the student's course.

#### **Flights**

- Some airlines do not allow under 16s to travel without an adult. As airline policies regarding young travellers change frequently, you must check the current guidelines before booking any flights.
- Please book flights in good time to ensure that under 16s will not travel at unacceptable and possibly dangerous times, for example, very late at night.



#### Airport Transfer service for under 16 students

- The Language Training co School of English arranges airport transfers on request.
   However, when students are not travelling as part of an arranged group or with a parent/guardian, they
  - **MUST** use the The Language Training co Transfer service. Children under 16 will not be permitted to travel alone. It should be noted that if under 16 students are not met by a guardian or school representative at the airport, the immigration officer may not allow the child to enter the UK.
- A The Language Training co School of English representative will meet the student
  at the arrival gate of the airport. All our representatives work for contracted taxi firms.
  They undergo thorough employment checks including DBS and will carry ID with them
  at all times. We will also give the student the name and number of the driver picking
  them up in case of any problems.

### Homestay accommodation for students under 16

- We pay special attention to our homestay accommodation service, so families and homes have been carefully inspected and selected, guaranteeing students a comfortable and welcoming stay while in Bournemouth.
- All homestay families used by The Language Training co School of English for under
   16s have undergone DBS checks to ensure their suitability.
- The Language Training co School of English may place students who are under 16 with families where other students, hosted by that family, will also be under 18.
- It is The Language Training co School of English's duty of care to ensure that any student under the age of 16 receives adequate meals on a full board basis.
- Under 16 students will not be given a key to their host families and will follow a predetermined curfew.

#### Medical care

<u>The Language Training co</u> <u>School of English has First Aid qualified staff available on site, Monday to Friday.</u>

 The Language Training co can also help students arrange visits to a doctor if required.



 The Language Training co can only seek medical treatment for a student under 16 if we have received a signed Under 16 Consent Form.

# **Spending money**

- We strongly advise that students do not carry large amounts of cash around with them.
   They should leave money and important documents at home in their bedroom or give them to the host family for safe keeping.
- Parents / Guardians are advised to provide young students with a pre-paid debit card which they can use to control their spending.

The school has a duty of care towards your child while there are in the UK. All The Language Training co School of English regulations and policies must be followed at all times.