

Education Safeguarding Advice Service (ESAS)

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For non-urgent safeguarding advice & guidance

8:30 – 5:00 Monday–Thursday and 8:30-4:30 Friday

Are you concerned about a child, have viewed the threshold framework, but are still unsure of what action to take? Or do you need help with your safeguarding procedures and processes?

ESAS:

- Is an advice service for education professionals only.
- Provide advice and guidance, to help professionals with their decision making.
- Support settings who have concerns about children (aged prebirth to eighteen) who live in Staffordshire.
- Provide advice about referral processes from earliest help to child protection.
- Signpost professionals to guidance to inform their decision making.
- Promote training opportunities to strengthen practice.
- Support settings with professional disagreements and the escalation process.

ESAS intention is to empower staff to make informed decisions.

Further support:

- The [Threshold Document](#) supports decision making.
- [Staffordshire Learning Net](#) ESAS section, provides a range of resources, guidance, learning and training opportunities, to support education settings.

Referrals to Level 3 Family Practitioner Service, Level 4 Child in Need/Child protection and LADO must be made to Staffordshire Children's Advice and Support Service (SCAS) on 0300 111 8007.

For a child at risk of immediate danger call the police on 999