

## South Bank Multi Academy Trust

## Health & Safety Statement of Intent

Approved by Trustees:

December 2022

Review Timetable:

1 year

Renewal Date:

December 2023

## STATEMENT OF INTENT

As a responsible employer, South Bank Multi Academy Trust (SBMAT) believes that the Health, Safety and Welfare of all its employees is a core management function and central to the overall effectiveness of the Trust.

The Trust is committed to:

- Reducing accidents and work-related ill health to as low a level as reasonably practicable.
- Ensuring compliance with statutory requirements as a minimum standard.
- Ensuring each school has a Health & Safety Governor and Health & Safety staff representative.
- Assessing and minimising risks from work activities on and off school premises.
- Providing a safe, healthy and secure working and learning environment for staff and pupils.
- Ensuring safe working methods and providing and maintaining safe working equipment.
- Providing appropriate health and safety information, instruction, supervision and training.
- Ensure staff are competent to do their tasks.
- Consulting with employees and their representatives on health and safety matters.
- Monitoring and reviewing our risk assessments and control measures to ensure they are effective and develop a culture of continuous improvement.
- Engaging a competent external health and safety provider.
- Ensuring adequate welfare facilities exist throughout the Trust for all.
- Ensuring adequate resources are made available for effective health and safety risk management.
- Learning from our health and safety experiences and sharing learning opportunities across the Trust and to implement controls where appropriate.



- Selecting and engaging competent contractors who work safely.
- Providing adequate first aid cover and occupational health support.
- Ensuring that the level of Health and Safety performance across the Trust is consistent with best practice in education.
- Ensuring that the importance of safety is shared with contractual workers and visitors to the Trust.
- Ensuring full co-operation with key partners, such as Trade Unions, City of York Council, public bodies, other local employees and any regulatory bodies.
- Ensuring that policy and procedure is regularly revisited and revised, so that documents are current, reflect recent experiences and advice, and are fully understood by all employees.

## Signature of Chair of the Trust Board

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Signature of the Chief Executive Officer

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