

## POLICY ON STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

Studio Cambridge is dedicated to supporting students who experience mental health issues while attending our courses and camps. All of our centres have a Head of Pastoral Care or a Welfare Officer who are available to give assistance in a confidential manner.

However, we are unable to accept students with significant mental health issues.

All students, parents or guardians must inform us at the time of booking of any mental health problems. We will discuss the issues and advise on whether the course or camp is appropriate and if suitable provision can be made to ensure the safeguarding of all parties concerned.

If we become aware of a significant mental health issue after the student arrives which was not declared to us in advance we will:

- Contact the parents, guardians or ETO (agent)
- Discuss the issues in depth
- Decide if it is appropriate for the student to remain on the course

If the decision is made that we are not equipped to deal with a particular mental health issue the parents, guardians or ETO concerned will be informed and asked to make arrangements for the student to leave school.

We will make every attempt not to distress the student

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