Lambeth SEND and Alternative Provision Strategy 2025-2030



A GUIDE FOR: CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Our vision

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All children and young people have excellent and inclusive experiences and outcomes across education, health, and social care, from birth to adulthood."

This means that we want you to get the best care and support for any special educational needs and disabilities to achieve your full potential as an adult.

What is one thing you need to know?

We want to make sure you get the right help, as early as possible, to meet your needs. We want your schools, anyone you see about your health, and other adults who are there to support you, to work together to make your life easier. We want you to know that you matter to us and will listen to your ideas. This means you will be able to tell us what you think about us, and how we can help you feel prepared for the future.



➤ To find out more about SEND services and support available to children, young people and families, please visit the Local Offer.

What the priorities mean for you

Inclusive and sustainable provision: You will get the right support you need in school as early as possible. Schools will have support to make sure that you are getting the most out of your education.

Effective partnership working: All the services we offer in Lambeth will work together more closely so it feels like you're being supported by one service. You and your family will be able to get the help you need more easily, find clear information on available services and how to access them, making it simpler to get the right support.

Smooth transitions with early preparation: Moving into any new school or college should feel less stressful. Schools and other services will work together from the beginning of your school journey to make sure they have the right support in place for you. Your families will get clear information about what to expect and how to get help during these changes.

Earlier preparation for adulthood: From the start of secondary school, you will get help to plan for your future, like finding out about future jobs or going to college, as well as how to be involved in the community. You will be able to learn important life skills to be more independent and stay healthy.

Developing our workforce across the partnership: Workers in Lambeth who you meet will receive more training to make sure you get the best advice and support.

Amplifying the voice of children, young people, and families: There will be more opportunities for you to be involved in making decisions. For example, paid opportunities to inspect and improve services you use. This will also help you to develop professional and life skills along the way.

Timely re-integration to mainstream for those in Alternative Provision: If you attend Alternative Provision, like Evolve Academy, we will all work together to make sure you have access to the best opportunities, and support to help you go back into your first school, or another that will help you to achieve your potential.

