



Student/Parent/Carer Privacy Notice- General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

This Privacy Notice has been written to inform parents and students of High Tunstall College of Science about what we do with your personal information.

Who are we?

High Tunstall College of Science is a 'Data Controller' as defined by Article 4 (7) of GDPR. This means that we determine the purposes for which, and the manner in which, your personal data is processed. We have a responsibility to you and your personal data and will only collect and use this in ways which are compliant with data protection legislation.

The college has appointed Veritau Ltd to be its Data Protection Officer (DPO). The role of the DPO is to ensure that the college is compliant with GDPR and to oversee data protection procedures. Veritau's contact details are:

Information Governance
Veritau Ltd
County Hall
Racecourse Lane
Northallerton
DL7 8AL



schoolsDPO@veritau.co.uk
01609 53 2526

What information do we collect?

The categories of information that we collect, hold and share include the following:

- Personal information of students and their family members e.g. name, student number, DOB and address
- Educational attainment
- Free school meal eligibility
- Attendance information
- Assessment information
- Behavioural information
- Safeguarding information
- Transition information

We will also process certain 'special category' data about our students including:

- Relevant medical information
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities information
- Race, Ethnicity, (EAL) and religion
- Biometric data e.g. fingerprints
- Looked After Children, Adoption and Legal Guardianship

Why do we collect your personal data?

We use the information we collect:

- To identify vulnerable students who are at risk of not fulfilling their academic potential as they transition from primary to secondary school
- To support student learning and enable earlier intervention where required
- To monitor and report on student progress
- To provide appropriate pastoral care
- To assess the quality of our services

Any personal data that we process about our students and parents/carers is done so in accordance with Article 6 and Article 9 of GDPR:

Our legal basis for processing your personal data, in line with Article 6(1)(c) include:

- Education Act 1944, 1996, 2002
- Education and Adoption Act 2016
- Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013
- Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2005
- Education and Skills Act 2008
- Children Act 1989, 2004
- Children and Families Act 2014
- Equality Act 2010
- Education (Special Educational Needs) Regulations 2001

We also process information in accordance with Article 6(e) and Article 9(2)(g) as part of the official authority vested in us as Data Controller and for reasons of substantial public interest. Such processing, which is not mandatory but is considered to be in our student' interests, include:

- College trips
- Extra-curricular activities
- Work Experience

Whilst the majority of student information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is provided to us on a voluntary basis. When we do process this additional information we will ensure that we ask for your consent to process this.

Who do we obtain your information from?

Much of the information we process will be obtained directly from you (students and parents/carers). We will also process information received from:

- Department for Education (DfE)

- Primary schools and Hartlepool Borough Council (Transition Planning – Profile Tool (TP-PT))
- Previous schools

Who do we share your personal data with?

We routinely share student information with:

- Schools that the students attend after leaving us
- Colleges that the students attend after leaving us (providing year 11 students consent to this)
- Hartlepool Borough Council
- Department for Education (DfE)
- National Health Service bodies

For more information on information sharing with the DfE (including the National Pupil Database and Census) please go to: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-user-guide-and-supporting-information>

We will not share any information about you outside the college without your consent unless we have a lawful basis for doing so.

Once our students reach the age of 13, we also pass information to our Local Authority and/or provider of youth support services as stipulated under section 507B of the Education Act 1996. The information provided includes addresses, DOB of student/parents/carers, and any other information necessary for the provision of the service including gender or ethnicity.

A parent/carer can request that only their child's name, address and date of birth is passed to their local authority or provider of youth support services by informing us. This right is transferred to the child/student once he/she reaches the age 16.

For more information regarding services for young people please visit our Local Authority 's website: <https://www.hartlepool.gov.uk/>

How long do we keep your personal data for?

High Tunstall College of Science will keep your data in line with our Records Management Policy. Most of the information we process about you will be retained as determined by statutory obligations. Any personal information which we are not required by law to retain will only be kept for as long as is necessary to fulfil our organisational needs.

What rights do you have over your data?

Under GDPR parents and students have the following rights in relation to the processing of their personal data:

- To be informed about how we process your personal data. This notice fulfils this obligation
- To request access to your personal data that we hold, and be provided with a copy of it
- To request that your personal data is amended if inaccurate or incomplete

- To request that your personal data is erased where there is no compelling reason for its continued processing
- To request that the processing of your personal data is restricted
- To object to your personal data being processed

If you have any concerns about the way we have handled your personal data or would like any further information, then please contact Ms Emma Watson, Senior Teacher at the college in the first instance, or alternatively you can contact our Data Protection Officer on the address provided above.

If we cannot resolve your concerns you may also complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (the Data Protection Regulator) about the way in which the college has handled your personal data. You can do so by contacting:

First Contact Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow Cheshire
SK9 5AF
casework@ico.gsi.gov.uk // 03031 231113