



Privacy Notice for Parents/Carers

Under Data Protection Law, individuals have a right to be informed about how Al- Lawh Academy (branch of al-Lawh Institute) uses any personal data that we hold about them. We comply with this right by providing 'Privacy Notices' (sometimes called 'Fair Processing Notices') to individuals where we are processing their personal data.

This privacy notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about **pupils**. We, Al-Lawh Academy are the 'Data Controller' for the purposes of Data Protection Law. Our Data Protection Officer is **Mrs Sajida Afzal** (see 'Contact us' below).

The personal data we hold:

Personal data that we may collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) about pupils includes, but is not restricted to:

- Contact details, contact preferences, date of birth, child's school.
- Results of internal assessments/tests.
- Pupil and Curricular records.
- Characteristics, such as special educational needs.
- Details of any medical conditions, such allergies etc.
- Attendance information.
- Safeguarding information.
- Details of any support received, such as from lead agencies and other educational providers.
- Photographs, video clips.

Why we use this data:

We use this data to:

- Support pupil learning
- Monitor and report on pupil progress
- Provide appropriate pastoral care or signpost as appropriate to protect pupil welfare
- Assess the quality of our services
- Administer admissions waiting lists
- Comply with the law regarding data sharing



Our legal basis for using this data:

We only collect and use pupils' personal data when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we process it where:

- We need to comply with a legal obligation
- We need it to perform an official task in the public interest

Less commonly, we may also process pupils' personal data in situations where:

- We have obtained consent to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect the individual's vital interests (or someone else's interests)
- Where we have obtained consent to use pupils' personal data, this consent can be withdrawn at any time. We will make this clear when we ask for consent and explain how consent can be withdrawn.

Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using pupils' personal data overlap, and there may be several grounds which justify our use of this data.

Collecting this information:

While most of the information we collect about pupils is mandatory, there is some information that can be provided voluntarily. Whenever we seek to collect information from you or your child, we make it clear whether providing it is mandatory, or optional. If it is mandatory, we will explain the possible consequences of not complying.

How we store this data:

We keep personal information about pupils while they are attending our Academy. We may also keep it beyond their attendance at our Academy if this is necessary in order to comply with our legal obligations.

Data Sharing:

We do not share information about pupils with any third party without consent unless the law and our policies allows us to do so. Where it is legally required, or necessary (and it complies with Data Protection Law) we may share personal information about pupils with:

- Our local authority
- The Department for Education
- The pupil's family and representatives
- Health authorities and social welfare organisations
- Police forces, courts, tribunals



Parents and pupils' rights regarding personal data:

Individuals have a right to make a '**subject access request**' to gain access to personal information that the Academy holds about them.

Parents/carers can make a request with respect to their child's data where the child is not considered mature enough to understand their rights over their own data (usually under the age of 12), or where the child has provided consent.

Parents also have the right to make a subject access request with respect to any personal data the Academy holds about them.

If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you or your child, we will:

- Give you a description of it
- Tell you why we are holding and processing it, and how long we will keep it for
- Explain where we got it from, if not from you or your child
- Tell you who it has been, or will be, shared with
- Let you know whether any automated decision-making is being applied to the data, and any consequences of this
- Give you a copy of the information in an intelligible form

Individuals also have the right for their personal information to be transmitted electronically to another organisation in certain circumstances.

If you would like to make a request please contact our Data Protection Officer.

Other rights:

Under UK-GDPR and Data Protection Law, individuals have certain rights regarding how their personal data is used and kept safe, including the right to:

- Object to the use of personal data if it would cause, or is causing, damage or distress
- Prevent it being used to send direct marketing
- Object to decisions being taken by automated means (by a computer or machine, rather than by a person)
- In certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data corrected, deleted or destroyed, or restrict processing
- Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the data

protection regulations. To exercise any of these rights, please contact our data protection officer.



Complaints:

We take any complaints about our collection and use of personal information very seriously.

If you think that our collection or use of personal information is unfair, misleading or inappropriate, or have any other concern about our data processing, please raise this with us in the first instance. If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information about anything mentioned in this privacy notice, please contact:

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Useful Links:

<https://www.gov.uk/data-protection>

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