

Young Carers Checklist for Education Settings

	Phase One: Sign Up and vision	Complete	Evidence
SILVER AWARD	1. Acknowledge and understand the importance of supporting young carers (reflected in principle school documents)		Attach document for review
	2. Develop a Young Carers' Policy, and amend other relevant policies to reflect the specific needs of young carers and their families		Attach document for review
	Phase Two: Young Carer Champion	Complete	Evidence
	1. Assign a member/s of staff as Young Carer Champion to ensure young carers have a trusted adult they can turn to		Name of Champion/s:
	2. Young Carer Champion/s to attend Train the Trainer on the Identification and Support of Young Carers in your Workplace, delivered by Family Action Young Carers		Date attended:
	3. Ensure Young Carer Champion/s has a route to escalate issues to senior management		Escalation route:
	4. Ensure staff know how to refer to local young carers' services for specialist support		
	Phase Three: Raising awareness	Complete	Evidence
GOLD AWARD	1. Young Carer Champion/s to deliver awareness training as part of all staff professional development		Training type/date:
	2. Embed Young Carers' awareness into wider curriculum and school plans		Practice example:
	Phase Four: Identification and monitoring of young carers	Complete	Evidence
	1. Ensure there is a Young Carer flag on your pupil management system and that it is being used		Practice example:
	2. Review enrolment process to identify parent/s, siblings or family members who have physical or learning disability, long-term physical or mental illness or misuses substances		Practice example:



3. Ensure transitions work considers needs of young carers		Practice example:
4. Make information about in-school and local young carers support available (e.g. noticeboard, school website, intranet, newsletters)		Practice example:
5. Regularly review progress of young carers alongside other potentially vulnerable groups of pupils		Practice example:
Phase Five: Ongoing support for young carers and their families	Complete	Evidence
1. Ensure that the school, school events and school communications are accessible to ensure parents can fully support their children and participate in the life of the school		Practice example:
2. Explore young carer 'back to school' resources for schools (published July 2022) https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/back-into-school/resources-for-schools/		
3. Develop practical and pastoral support (e.g. young carer groups, drop in sessions)		Practice example:

For more information on how Family Action Young Carers can support you in identifying and supporting young carers, please contact rbwm.yc@family-action.org.uk

