

Navigating School Exclusions & Suspensions: Support and Resources 2026

School exclusions can be a challenging time for families, but there are numerous resources available to help navigate this process. Here's a guide to understanding and accessing support in Hertfordshire and beyond.

Local Support for School Exclusions

In Hertfordshire, parents and carers have several avenues for support when dealing with school suspensions or exclusions:

- **Hertfordshire Parent Carer Involvement** offers informational leaflets that explain the process of suspensions and exclusions. More information can be found on their website: hertsparentcarers.org.uk.
- **Hertfordshire County Council Exclusions Service** will reach out if your child is excluded and assist in finding a new school placement.
- For general queries, the **Statutory School Exclusions Hertfordshire Advice Line** is available at 01992 555911, Monday to Friday, during term time. You can also email them at statutoryschoolsexclusionduty@hertfordshire.gov.uk.

National Support and Legal Advice

National advice and guidance on the legal rights of families during school exclusions.

Department of Education has a booklet for parents on schools exclusions.

[A guide for parents on school behaviour and exclusion - GOV.UK](#)

The [School Exclusion Hub](#) run by the charity Coram has advice, support and resources for families and professionals.

Community Resources

School challenges can affect the entire family. [Herts Help](#) offers guidance on a variety of issues, including **financial support, transport, housing, and health**. You can contact them at 0300 123 4044 or info@hertshelp.net.

Support for Parents and Siblings

Support for families extends beyond the immediate issue of exclusion:

- **Families First** provides self-help advice and professional support for the whole family.

[Families First](#)

- **Hertfordshire Local Offer** is a valuable resource for those caring for children with special needs.

[The Hertfordshire SEND Local Offer](#)

- Mental health and wellbeing support for young people, providing a holistic approach to family care during challenging times.

[Welcome to HertsHub](#)

[Home - WithYouth | Young People's Mental Health Support](#)

Adult mental health: [HPFT Talking Therapies | \(IAPT Services\) | NHS Mental Health](#)

Ask for help and use the support:

Navigating school exclusions can be daunting, but with the right information and support, families can find the help they need to ensure their children continue to thrive.



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