

# THE CREDO SCHOOL

## Wilful Damage/Vandalism to School Property

### Version 1

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Abbreviation /Acronym	Definition
EHC	Education, Health and Care
SLT	Senior Leadership Team

This Policy is for The Credo School.

## Rationale

The Credo School, in line with our Behaviour and Relationships policy, expects students to treat the school building, its contents and equipment with respect at all times.

We understand that sometimes students may become dysregulated in line with their Education, Health and Care Plans and cause accidental damage, however this policy is concerned only with the intentional damage of school property.

Intentional damage of school property directly affects the education of all our students by taking much needed funds to repair the damage caused. To redress this, The Credo School, within Birchwood Community High School may charge a repair / replacement fee to the parent(s)/carer(s) of students who intentionally destroy or cause damage to the school, its fixtures, fittings and property.

The Credo School will fully investigate any incident of damage to school property. Any damage incurred will be assessed and photographed as evidence. A copy of the photograph will be sent to parent(s)/carer(s) together and we may request a contribution towards the cost of repair or replacement of the object that has been damaged or vandalised.

Unless damage is excessive, this will not result in a suspension from school. However, if repeated acts of damage/vandalism occur or the damage is deemed excessive, parent(s)/carer(s) will be informed, and the student may face a fixed term suspension of a period of time at the discretion of the Headteacher.

This Policy will be reviewed annually by the Senior Leadership Team and parents/carers will be informed accordingly.

### **Links with other policies:**

This policy links to the following policies and procedures:

- Behaviour and Relationships Policy