

Response to Request for Information

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Elective Home Education

Request:

I am researching Elective Home Education and would be very grateful if you could assist by providing the following information:

- 1) Does your Local Education Authority (LEA) operate a voluntary registration scheme for pupils undergoing elective home education (EHE)?
[Yes - a record is kept of all EHE pupils that the local authority is aware of.](#)
- 2) Does your LEA operate a compulsory registration scheme for pupils undergoing EHE?
[The LA does not operate a compulsory registration scheme. The LA monitor all EHE pupils that we are aware of in accordance with the EHE guidance, under Section 436A of the Education Act.](#)
- 3) What guidance does your LEA provide with regards to EHE? (please provide link to any online guidance)
[The LA officer offers face to face individual tailored advice to families who wish to engage.](#)

In each of the last 5 years for which you have data:

- 4) In how many cases of EHE have you investigated (under s.436A of the Education Act 1996 or otherwise) to find if children are receiving suitable education?
[All EHE cases the local authority is aware of are monitored. In the last 5 years, 11 cases have been investigated in further detail due to concerns about children receiving suitable education, in accordance with the EHE guidance.](#)
- 5) How many school attendance orders have been issued with regard to children found to be receiving unsuitable EHE (or who have been claimed to be receiving EHE)?

[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018 (to date)
Number of School Attendance Notices issued for EHE	0	0	0	2	1

- 6) How many school attendance orders have been issued with regard to children found to be attending illegal (unregistered schools)? 0