

Risk Assessment and Categorisation of Schools

Introduction

Currently Warwickshire's School Improvement team carry out regular risk assessments of all schools and academies to identify vulnerabilities.

Categorisation

Schools are categorised through the risk assessment process as follows:

Category A Good and outstanding schools with no known concerns.

Category B Schools judged as good or outstanding but recognised that capacity to provide external support may be limited, perhaps due to a new head teacher or temporary staffing issues.

Category C Schools judged by Ofsted to require improvement (RI); schools judged as good or outstanding identified as causing concern; schools where analysis of performance data places them at serious risk of decline.

Category D Schools judged by Ofsted to be inadequate, where results fall below the floor standard OR in receipt of a formal warning notice.

Schools are also RAG (Red, Amber, Green) rated within each category. The RAG is a colour coded system linked to the progress the school is making within its category.

Further detail of the criteria for school categorisation is attached at Appendix 1.

Notification to schools

All head teachers and chairs of governors will be informed in writing of the categorisation of their school in the autumn term or in the event that their categorisation changes. Where appropriate, copies will also be sent to the chair of academy trust boards.

It is vital that we have the email address of the chair of governors so that this information can be sent to the correct person. If you want to check that we have the right details, please email us at governors@warwickshire.gov.uk