**Outstanding Safety Initiatives Award**

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education.

This award recognises exceptional initiatives in promoting and maintaining healthy, safe and productive work and learning environments for employees, children and young people. It celebrates those who have demonstrated outstanding commitment and innovation in the field of work health and safety.

The award acknowledges those who are making the most significant difference by recognising initiatives that create and support safe, healthy work and learning environments.

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria.

**Positive impact**

Provide evidence (including indicators of growth) of how you have intentionally integrated safety solutions and/or experiences to create safe and productive work and learning environments.

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**Networked practice**

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites or more broadly across the community.

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**Inspiring engagement**

Explain how you’ve effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.

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**Points to consider:**

* The response to each criteria in the nomination process has a 250 word limit. Make sure your answers are clear, concise, and written in plain English.
* Think about **1** good example and use the same example throughout each of the criteria, so that judges can see the focus on impact, sustainability and scalability of the initiative.
* The criteria is written in the first person however, if you are writing on behalf of an individual or team, consider it from their perspective.
* Judges may be unfamiliar with your area of work so avoid acronyms or relying on assumed knowledge. If you’re writing on behalf of someone, describe the context to give the judges a feel for the nominee/s.
* Ask a colleague or leader to read through your nomination before submitting.
* Once you have completed this, you will need to copy and paste this into your online application at [Public Education Awards (awardsplatform.com)](https://publiceducationawards.awardsplatform.com/).
* You will also need to provide additional information, such as, your site Leader and Education Director or Executive Director’s details for approval and endorsement.
* You will have the opportunity to attach 2 documents to support your nomination which may not exceed maximum 5MB. Please make sure that any critical information is addressed within the nomination and does not rely on the supporting documentation.