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Stand Alone
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To Whom It May Concern

Stand Alone Pledge

The College's Vision and Values are not only to deliver high quality education but also promote diversity, fairness, respect and opportunities for all.

The College prides itself in successfully supporting vulnerable groups including care experienced students, student carers and acknowledges that estranged students have similar challenges, experiences and support requirements.

North East Scotland College (NESCOL) publicly pledge to support students who are estranged from their families and who are studying at the College without the support and approval of a family network.

NESCOL pledges to support our estranged students by:

- Providing support and advice around all aspects of pre-entry requirements, transition, learning support, funding and employability
- Providing dedicated academic support
- Providing campus specific contacts
- Work closely with Students' Association to promote support available
- Training staff in having the knowledge to support and provide guidance
- Ensure signposting to external support organisations is appropriate and sufficient

The College is delighted to sign the Stand Alone Pledge and we will take our responsibilities to further develop the above support for estranged students to ensure the students can study in a positive, encouraging and supportive environment.

Yours sincerely,



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