

School Protection Card

Under threat from staff?

1. Ask them whether they are giving you an **order** or a **request**
2. If they say “**request**”, this means that you are free to accept or decline
3. If you choose not to do what you are being asked to do, then simply say:
“**thank you for the offer**” but I do not wish to do what you are asking me to do
4. If they say that it is an “**order**”, hand them a copy of your **family invoice** for **fulfilling an order**
[You will find a typical invoice in summary format on the back of this card]
5. Alternatively, if you have not been given a family invoice, or do not have it on you, ask the staff member whether or not they are offering you a **choice**
6. If they say “**yes**”, then use the strategy in point 3. above to politely decline their offer
7. If they say “**no, you have no choice!**” then quote the following legislation:

[Section 3\(5\) Modern Slavery Act 2015](#)

It is criminal exploitation to make a person [boy or girl] do something against their will using threats or force



8. If the situation gets worse after using any of the above strategies, then remind the staff member of the international law:

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child 1989 - Article 28

“Discipline in schools should respect human dignity”

- All countries have signed this convention; therefore, all governments are bound by its terms
- All schools are bound by it as government agents; all staff are bound by it as school employees
- If they punish or humiliate you or simply make you feel afraid, the school could get into a lot of trouble

Sample Family Invoice

Suggested fee schedule for compliance with an order from a school staff member

1. Isolation or solitary confinement - £500 per minute
2. After-school detention or other restriction of movement - £500 per minute
3. Other interference with natural rights - £500 per incident
4. Homework - £100 per hour or part thereof



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