

Google Cloud Services

Data Security and Privacy

Calday Grange Grammar School takes every step to ensure that any cloud service used by the school is compliant with both UK and EU Data Protection Laws and the school's data and privacy policies. The school will only use a service when they are satisfied that personal data is being processed and secured appropriately.

A careful assessment of the risks to data security and privacy that may arise with the use of the Google Apps for Education suite, including Gmail, Drive and Classroom, has been carried out.

Calday Grange Grammar School has a modified contract with Google, based on Google's standard terms and conditions for educational customers making use of the model contract clauses for Google Apps.

Model contract clauses for Google Apps

In addition to [participating](#) in the [U.S.-EU Safe Harbor Framework](#), Google offers a [data-processing amendment](#) and [model contract clauses](#) as an additional means of meeting the adequacy and security requirements of the European Parliament and Council of the European Union [Data Protection Directive](#).

Security and Data Compliance is at the forefront of the school's agenda when assessing the suitability of a third party service. An overview of Google's compliance information is available here:

<https://support.google.com/work/answer/6056694?hl=en>

The key points in relations to many individual's concerns are below:

How can I verify Google Apps' and Google Cloud Platform's security?

Our customers and regulators expect independent verification of security, privacy and compliance controls. Google undergoes several independent third party audits on a regular basis to provide this assurance. This means that an independent auditor has examined the controls present in our data centres, infrastructure and operations. Google solutions have regular audits for the following standard:

- [SOC1™](#) (SSAE-16/ISAE-3402)—Google Apps , Google Compute Engine, Google Cloud Storage, Google App Engine
- [SOC2™](#)—Google Apps, Google Compute Engine, Google Cloud Storage, Google App Engine
- [SOC3™](#)—Google Apps, Google Compute Engine, Google Cloud Storage, Google App Engine
- [ISO27001](#)—Google Apps, Google Compute Engine, Google Cloud Storage, Google Application Engine, Google DataStore, Google Big Query, Google Cloud SQL
- [ISO 27018:2014](#)—Google Apps, Google Apps API, Google Admin SDK, Inbox, Classroom
- [HIPAA](#)—Google Apps , Google Compute Engine, Google Cloud Storage, Google Big Query, Google Cloud SQL
- [FISMA](#)—Google App Engine, Google Apps for Government

How does Google adhere to European data protection requirements?

Google has a broad customer base in Europe. Over 50% of our business customers are based outside of the United States. Google provides capabilities and contractual commitments created to meet data protection recommendations provided by the Article 29 Working Party. Google offers to sign [EU Model Contract Clauses](#) and a [Data Processing Amendment](#). Along with independent third-party audits of our data protection practices and our [ISO 27001 certification](#), and verification that our privacy practices and contractual commitments for comply with ISO/IEC 27018:2014 we provide our customers with several compliance options to address EU data protection regulations.

Don't EU data protection laws require that personal data be stored in the EU/EEA?

The European Commission's [Data Protection Directive](#) is an important piece of privacy legislation passed by the European Union (EU) in 1995. It restricts the movement of data from the EU to non-EU countries that do not meet the EU's "adequacy" standard for privacy protection. Processing personal data strictly within the EU is one means of compliance with the Directive. Other means of compliance don't require data location within the EU, such as the use of [European Commission-approved model contract clauses](#).

Calday Grange Grammar School have assessed the risks of using the Google Apps for Education suite in relation to Data Protection and Privacy and are satisfied that Google are operating within UK and EU/EEA laws and guidance.

If you have further concerns or queries, please contact: theschool@calday.co.uk