

# Queensgate College

Morningside Centre, Cresset Road, London E9 6SJ

**Inspection date**

11 September 2018

**Overall outcome**

**The school appears to have closed**

## **Main inspection findings**

Part 1. Quality of education provided

N/A

Part 5. Premises of and accommodation at schools

N/A

Part 8. Quality of leadership in and management of schools

N/A

## **Compliance with regulatory requirements**

The compliance with regulatory requirements could not be checked because the school appears to have closed. Therefore, this is not applicable.

## School details

Unique reference number	143840
DfE registration number	204/6017
Inspection number	10077581

This inspection was carried out under section 109(1) and (2) of the Education and Skills Act 2008, the purpose of which is to advise the Secretary of State for Education about the school's suitability for continued registration as an independent school.

Type of school	Independent alternative provider
School status	Independent school
Age range of pupils	11 to 16
Gender of pupils	Mixed
Number of pupils on the school roll	0
Proprietor	Miss P. Shodimu and Mr Badolato Martin
Chair	Nathan Cato
Headteacher	Mr Alfonso Badolato Martin
Annual fees (day pupils)	£13,000
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Date of previous standard inspection	31 October – 2 November 2017

### Information about this school

- Queensgate College is an independent alternative provider in the London Borough of Hackney. The school was granted independent school status in 2016, and its first full standard inspection was conducted from 31 October to 2 November 2017, when it was judged to require improvement.
- The school's action plans to address the unmet standards at its previous inspection were evaluated in March 2018 and July 2018. On both of these occasions, the proposed action plans were not acceptable.
- Since the previous inspection, the school has moved premises to the Morningside Centre, Cresset Road, London E9 6SJ.
- At the time of the previous inspection, there were 22 pupils on the roll. All were in Year

11. Pupils typically had social, emotional and mental health difficulties. None had education, health and care plans.

- At the time of the previous inspection, the school made no use of any alternative provision.
- Although the school's information on 'Get information about schools' (GIAS) contains all the required information, the information could not be verified because there was no access to the school and the school appeared to be closed.
- The safeguarding policy is on the school's website, but it has not been updated to take into account current government requirements.

## Information about this inspection

- The Department for Education commissioned an unannounced progress monitoring inspection to check the independent school standards that were unmet in the previous inspection. The parts of the independent school standards that inspectors were requested to report against were: 2(1), 2(1)(a), 2(2), 2(2)(a), 23(1), 23(1)(c), 24(1), 24(1)(b), 28(1), 28(1)(b), 29(1), 29(1)(a), 34(1), 34(1)(a) and 34(1)(b). The inspector was also requested to check that window restrictors had been fitted at Morningside Centre, as highlighted in the previous inspection.
- The planned progress monitoring inspection could not go ahead because the building was unoccupied, and the school appeared to be closed.
- The inspector arrived at the site where the school is located on the morning of the inspection day at 8.15am. The building (the Morningside Centre, where Queensgate College is located) was closed and there was no one inside, including in the reception area. (This was clear to see through the large windows on the ground floor of the building.) The inspector phoned the headteacher seven times between 9am and 9.26am and left messages to say he would be phoning back. However, each time the call went straight to the voicemail message. The inspector was unable to contact the headteacher.
- The inspector checked to see whether the building was the right one where the school was located by asking some of the local people. Although they were able to confirm that it was the right building for the Morningside Centre, they were not sure about the location of the school or whether the school was operating.
- The inspector phoned a Senior Her Majesty's Inspector (SHMI) at the duty desk for advice. The SHMI made further checks and phone calls to establish whether the school was operating on the premises. Although it was established that the Morningside Centre was the correct site for the school, no contact could be made with anyone running the Morningside Centre or the school.
- Although there were signs to indicate that the building was the Morningside Centre, there was no sign to indicate that the college was located in the Morningside Centre.
- The inspector left the premises at 10.30am.
- In the afternoon, the inspector made phone calls to three local authorities that have previously used the alternative provision provided by Queensgate College, namely Hackney (the borough where the Queensgate College is located), Tower Hamlets and Islington. Officers from all three of these local authorities confirmed that they no longer place any children from their schools at the Queensgate College.
- The inspection was converted from a school progress monitoring inspection to a school emergency inspection.

## Inspection team

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