



# SUPPORTING OUR STUDENT CARERS

At South Lanarkshire College we care abut our Student Carers. We want all our Student Carers to feel listened to; feel valued; respected; and know that as a college we will do everything we can to make sure they successfully complete their course and achieve their goals whilst being able to continue their caring role.

# We have developed four strategic outcomes based on what our Student Carers tell us. The four strategic outcomes are:

## I am identified, respected and involved

Carers will say that they have been identified, given a voice and feel listened to, understood and respected. They will be an equal partner in the planning and shaping of services and support. Carers will also acknowledge that they are aware of and understand their rights and are respected as a Carer.

#### I have had a positive learning experience at the College

Student Carers should say that they have had positive experiences of learning and teaching, financial support and support services. We will continue to impact assess and robustly evaluate our support strategies to ensure that they continue to support our student carers. Student Carers need services that are co-ordinated and it is essential that they have access to a wide range of guidance, information and advice.

## The College looks after my physical and mental wellbeing

Student Carers will have opportunities to look after their physical and mental wellbeing during their learning experience. The College will provide a range of tailored events and activities that will lead to a fulfilled and healthy life. This may include accessing services that supports ways to improve their health and wellbeing, financial security and identifying what is important to them and provide help on how they will achieve this.

#### I can balance my college life and caring role

Student Carers at South Lanarkshire College will say that they have a good balance between their college life and caring role. The College will listen and respect the choices that Student Carers must make and help support them in their caring role. Student Carers should be able to have the flexibility to access learning and teaching and have the appropriate time to spend with people and activities they want to do and to continue in their caring role.