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### **University opens doors to children affected by city school closures**

The University of Edinburgh is offering teaching spaces for thousands of children who have been affected by school closures in the city this week.

After an urgent review of room availability, it has identified a large number of seats that could be made available.

The seats are spread across 100 rooms at the University's Central, Kings Buildings and Easter Bush campuses.

Details of the spaces have been sent to Edinburgh Council, which will assess whether suitable arrangements can be put in place before a final decision is taken.

The University's Senior Vice-Principal, Professor Charlie Jeffrey, said: "We recognise the problems that the school closures will cause parents and children and – in a spirit of good neighbourliness – are striving to do what we can to help.

"The number of spaces we can offer will vary in the coming weeks as we enter exam season for our own students. We are working closely with the Council to help where we can in this evolving situation."

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