16-19 Discretionary Bursary

Young people entering post-16 education may be eligible for a discretionary bursary for the duration of their study to help with travel, meals, stationery, books, pens, other equipment and specialist clothing depending on annual household income. This is to support young people who may have financial barriers to attending further education.

You can apply for the Discretionary Bursary if you have an annual household income below £42,000.

All approved bursary applications will now be entitled to claim back **100%** funds on items that fit the below categories for all bands awarded:

Travel - The cost towards a bus/train pass will be up to 100% refunded.

Lunch Card - If you are not in receipt of FSM you will receive a daily allowance of £3.00 per day. If it is not used that day it will be lost.

Stationery, **books**, **pens**, **other equipment** and **specialist clothing** will be funded depending on your allocated funding availability - separate form to be completed with requirements.

The banding criteria are as follows:

Band 1 - Household annual income below £23,000 - annual funding entitlement is currently set at £1,140.

Band 2 - Household annual income between £23,001 and £28,000 – annual funding entitlement is currently set at £950.

Band 3 - Household annual income between £28,001 and £33,000 — annual funding entitlement is currently set at £760.

Band 4 - Household annual income between £33,001 and £42,000 - annual funding entitlement is currently set at £570.

Please note that the above annual allocations are subject to available funding depending on the total number of successful applicants. Approved applications may change throughout the year and therefore, all successful applicants will be notified as soon as possible of any changes to the annual funding entitlement.

Attendance is monitored on a week by week basis and 100% attendance is expected from students to maintain the total annual funding available to them. Any attendance below 100% which is not authorised, will result in a reduction of total annual funds.

If you have any questions regarding the 16-19 Bursary Discretionary Bursary, or you wish to apply, please do not hesitate to contact me either by email, or on the contact telephone number and extension below.

Yours faithfully,

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