16-19 Tuition Fund

Statement on the use of the 16-19 Tuition Fund - February 2021 as required by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) and detailed in their document "16 to 19 funding: 16 to 19 tuition fund".

The 16-19 tuition fund is a one-off funding allocation for 20-21 academic year only. The fund is being provided to support learners via 1:1 and small group tuition to catch up and close any gaps in their learning that may have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 lock down. This tuition will be in addition to the planned study programme hours.

"Providers should prioritise support for students who have not achieved a grade 4 in English and/or maths. However, further to those students, if providers have funding available within their allocations they should consider whether any young people with a grade 4 also need catch up support. Providers should prioritise students that will benefit most from small group tuition, based on the criteria above. Providers should also have regard to the needs of students with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), particularly where they have experienced additional disruption to learning as a result of their specific needs and disabilities.

The funding will be allocated to curriculum areas to support small groups of students, who typically have gaps in their knowledge, a need to improve in specific areas or need more time with subject specialists. The aim is to support skills development, knowledge and understanding to enable good progress on their study programme and effective transition to the next stage of their learning or employment."

Who can be supported by this fund?

The initial data analysis of eligible students was carried out in November 2020. Although the actual tuition does not need to be for GCSE English or maths, the students supported all need to be those who had not achieved grade 5 or above in at least one of those subjects at this level by age 16.

In some cases, it will provide additional tutorial sessions to further enhance personal development and progression opportunities for identified students, and used to fund additional pastoral support to ensure the wellbeing of students and allowing them to fully engage with the available academic support.

Allocation

Spalding High School allocation £1,808

How is Spalding High School using this fund?

Additional support and tuition groups will comprise of small groups and the tuition sessions will be scheduled in addition to the planned programme of study hours already timetabled for the academic year 2020/21. Tuition sessions will be delivered face to face, online or through a blended delivery model.

Tuition January 2021

The original plan to provide tuition on Saturday mornings and in school was postponed due to partial school closure in January. We are currently liaising with Heads of Department about rescheduling these sessions in April/May. In the meantime, one of the students identified has been provided with a laptop to support remote learning.