

16 to 19 Tuition Fund 2021/22 academic year

The purpose of this statement is to set out how Cowley Sixth Form College will use the 16 to 19 tuition fund allocation to support students who have been academically disadvantaged due to coronavirus (COVID-19).

The full guidance can be accessed here: [16 to 19 funding: 16 to 19 tuition fund - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/16-to-19-funding-16-to-19-tuition-fund)

What is the 16-19 tuition fund?

The 16-19 tuition fund is funding for the 2021/22 academic year to support students and mitigate disruption to learning arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The funding is being used to provide individual or small group tuition for 16-19-year-olds where their learning has been disrupted and they have a GCSE Maths and/or English grade of 4 or below. Although targeted students are identified based on their prior attainment in English and Maths, the funding will be used to support students in their learning across a variety of subjects.

The funding will also support students who have a grade 4 or above in English and/or Maths, are from an economically disadvantaged background and would need catch-up support. These are defined as students from the 27% most economically deprived areas of the country based on the index of multiple deprivation.

Examples of disruption that these students have faced will include assessments being deferred due to lockdown or self-isolation, falling behind in their learning due to long / multiple periods of self-isolation and not being able to complete external examinations due to positive COVID-19 cases.

How the College will use the 16 to 19 tuition fund

The 16 to 19 tuition fund will be used to provide small group tuition for students aged 16 to 19 who have not yet achieved a grade 5 or above in English and/or Maths. Students without a grade 4 will be prioritised. This may include a mix of both teaching and learning support staff as deemed appropriate. The provision will not be limited to tuition for English and Maths, but will also be used to help progressing students where learning may have been disrupted because of COVID-19. Students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) will also be supported by this provision.

Tuition will take place in small groups or 1:1 sessions and will be scheduled in addition to the planned programme of study hours already timetabled for the academic year 2021/22. Tuition and additional support may be delivered using a blend of online and on-site delivery.

Examples of some of the Tuition Support on offer will include:

- GCSE exam re-sit preparation
- Curriculum knowledge or skills development catch-up sessions
- Students identified who may benefit from additional small group support
- Functional skills assessment preparation
- Bespoke subject support/catch-up
- Purchase or create bespoke resources for students targeted in the tuition catch-up to support their learning

Tuition support offered will be based on an individual needs assessment, the identification of an individual starting point, clear learning goals, expectations and outcomes.

The intent is to support specific skills, knowledge and understanding with the impact being that learners make good progress in their study programme enabling effective transition to the next stage of their learning or employment. In some instances the fund may be used to provide additional tutorial sessions to further enhance positive behaviours for learning through the development of resilience skills as well supporting the wellbeing of the identified students with the impact being they are able to fully engage with the available academic support. All support will be recorded centrally so that the impact of the sessions can be tracked for each individual learner and support adjusted as required to maximise impact.

Our Commitment

Cowley Sixth Form College is committed to ensuring the tuition fund is used in accordance with the Government's guidance on the 16 to 19 tuition fund by:

- Producing this statement setting out how the fund will be used to support the most disadvantaged students
- Publishing this guidance on the College website
- Recording the use of the fund, including references to individual students who receive support, the needs of those students, the number of hours of tuition delivered and retain the evidence of the tuition provided
- Deliver the extra tuition and spend the allocated funds in the academic year 2021/22
- Notify the Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of any underspend from the Fund for it to be reclaimed