

The 16 to 19 tuition fund 2021 to 2022 academic year WS Training Ltd

As part of our strategy to support students to develop their knowledge and skills, and to bridge any gaps due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will be providing additional support with English and maths across all our courses this academic year. This will also include additional support for students with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). This is part of the government's one-off 16 to 19 tuition fund.

What is the 16-19 tuition fund?

The ESFA has made funding available to support students who have had their learning affected by the Coronavirus pandemic. The 16-19 tuition fund is for the 2021-22 academic year. It is ring fenced funding for schools, colleges and all other 16 to 19 providers to mitigate the disruption to learning arising from coronavirus. The funding should be used to support small group tuition for 16 to 19 students in English, maths, and other courses where learning has been disrupted. 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 4 in at least one of those subjects at this level by age 16.

ESFA guidance related to the Tuition Fund is available here

How will we use the 16-19 tuition fund?

Support is being prioritised where students will benefit most from small group tuition (up to 5 learners), and regard is being given to the requirements of disadvantaged students and students with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). Initial and diagnostic assessments will be used to establish those students who will require additional support due to either being out of education due to the pandemic or having missed learning opportunities.

Examples of some of the support that WS Training will be offering are:

- Functional skills assessment preparation
- Maths and English intervention sessions
- Support for SEND and High Needs Students
- Vocational support where assessments were deferred
- Vocational catch-up sessions for knowledge and practical skills development

WS Training will use the funding as follows:

- Recruitment of Intervention Coaches to work with students in small groups to support teaching and learning.
- Increasing the hours of some existing staff.

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WS Training commitment

We are committed to ensuring the tuition fund is used in accordance with the Government's guidance on the 16 to 19 Tuition Fund through:

- producing this statement setting out how the fund will be used to support the most disadvantaged students.
- publishing this statement on our 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 retaining the evidence of the tuition provided.
- delivering the extra tuition and spend the allocated funds in the academic year 2021/22
- notifying the Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of any underspend from the Fund for it to be reclaimed.