

Strathmore College

COVID-19 tuition fund statement

The 16 to 19 tuition fund is a £96 million one-off fund for the 2020 to 2021 academic year only. It is ring fenced funding for schools, colleges and all other 16 to 19 providers to support small group tuition for 16 to 19 students in English, maths, and other courses where learning has been disrupted. For example, vocational courses where assessment has been deferred because of lockdown.

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.

All supported students must be on a 16 to 19 study programme and have had their learning disrupted in 2019 to 2020 academic year from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Providers must 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.

Strathmore College Limited is eligible to receive £10,200 from this fund for small group tuition, following the guidance. A small group should be no more than five students for this purpose.

Total 2020/21 instances* attracting funding:		68.00	Tuition funding rates	Tuition funding (instances x rate)
Instances at the higher rate		68.00	£150	£10,200
Instances at the lower rate		0.00	£91	£0
Instances at the FTE rate	Student instances	0.00	£150	£0
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Total tuition funding:				£10,200

**Based on the disadvantage block 2 figures from your allocation statement. Where an institution delivers T-Levels, T-Level instances have been included with the higher rate instances.*

The additional funding requested will be utilised for students enrolled on a 16 to 19 study programme at the institution. It will be used in accordance with and for the purpose intended in line with the guidance for the 16 to 19 Tuition Fund in the 2020 to 2021 academic year only, as a result of COVID-19, based on an assessment of individual student needs.

Providers have flexibility to decide the most appropriate approach to resourcing the delivery of small group tuition supported through the fund. This may include a mix of both teaching and learning support staff as appropriate. Providers must ensure that anyone delivering small group tuition has the appropriate knowledge, skills, and experience, and has received appropriate training where necessary. Resourcing could be through paying for more hours from existing staff, hiring new staff, or buying in a service from a third-party provider.

At Strathmore College, we will ensure that the tuition fund allocated is used to support students whose learning was disrupted in 2019/20 by COVID-19. It will be used to support their re-assessment, identify and deliver meaningful, focused programmes of learning thus enabling students to catch up and maximise their opportunities.

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