## The 16-19 Bursary Fund

The 16 to 19 Bursary Fund provides financial support to help students overcome the specific financial barriers to participation they face so they can remain in education. Within our sixth form we have different types of 16 to 19 bursaries:

## Bursaries for defined vulnerable groups:

Students who meet the criteria, and who have a financial need, can apply for a bursary for vulnerable groups. The defined groups reflect that these students are unlikely to be receiving financial assistance from parents or carers, so may need a greater level of support to enable them to continue to participate. Students should be awarded the amount of support they need to participate based on an assessment of the types of costs they have and must not be automatically awarded £1,200. Institutions must ensure students are eligible for the bursary for defined vulnerable groups in each year they require support.

The defined vulnerable groups are students who are:

- in care
- care leavers
- receiving Income Support (IS), or Universal Credit (UC) because they are financially supporting themselves or financially supporting themselves and someone who is dependent on them and living with them, such as a child or partner
- receiving Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or Personal Independence Payments (PIP) in their own right as well as Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) or UC in their own right

## Discretionary bursaries:

• Travel

Students that live a certain distance from the college (e.g. over 3 miles) will be entitled to a travel bursary to provide support towards the costs of travelling to and from college. Students will receive a travel pass on a termly basis.

• Free School Meals

Students that qualify for FSM will qualify for a discretionary bursary.

Please note that the amount students receive will depend on the fund received and the student numbers that qualify. Please contact college for details.

<u>Please visit for more detailed information on the 16-19 Bursary</u> Fund:https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide-2022-to-2023-academic-year/16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide-2022-to-2023-academic-year