

What is the 16-19 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 to catch up and close any gaps in their learning that may have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 lockdown. The fund will be used for small group and 1:1 tuition in English, Maths and other key course learning for 16 to 19-year-old learners. This tuition will be in addition to the planned study programme hours.

Who can be supported by this fund?

Learners must be aged 16-19 and must not have already achieved a GSCE grade 5 or above in maths and/or English by age 16. Students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) - including those aged 19 to 24 who require additional tuition to help them catch up with their studies - will also be supported by this provision.

How is North Liverpool Academy using this Fund?

Tuition is being provided in the form of both academic catch up and personal development catch-up. Our students are being provided with the opportunities to catch-up on missed learning, due to our remote provision throughout lockdown periods in this academic year. However, engagement has been good and the large majority of students attend all lessons and are working well. What they are missing out on is the 1-1 interaction with teachers and professionals through coaching meetings. These sessions develop the students' ability to perform in an academic situation such as an interview or other professional engagement. We need to provide opportunities in order to close this gap and for our students to develop their ability to perform in these situations as well as gain the grades they need to get there.

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

- ASPIRE sessions will provide the students with opportunities to develop their ability to hold academic conversations and to be able to develop a richer understanding of their subject area as well as being confident learners who are able to learn around a subject rather than just complete questions in exams.
- Additional Maths and English topic support through extra sessions in preparation to ensure Level 2 success for continuing on to their preferred pathway, as well as further development in these Level 3 areas for specific students identified.
- Specialist Support to improve engagement for learners with SEND offer will be based on an individual need's assessment, the identification of an individual starting point, clear learning goals, expectations and outcomes. This is through extra SEND sessions with our dedicated team
- University preparation sessions are being held in order to reduce NEET data by building resilience using the Resilience Framework and the university provided bridging units.

What is our commitment?

North Liverpool Academy 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 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 retain the evidence of the tuition provided and demonstrate the impact of the support provided
- Delivering the extra tuition and spend the allocated funds in the academic year 2020/21
- Notify the Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of any underspend from the Fund for it to be reclaimed.

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