

16 to 19 Tuition Fund Statement – 2020-21

The purpose of this statement is to set out how Paddington Academy is planning to utilise its 16 to 19 tuition fund allocation to support students who may have had their learning disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The targeted and strategic use of this fund will reflect our ethos in that Paddington Academy ensures that every student is well-educated, has the opportunity to attend university, and is able to lead a happy and fulfilled life. The academy will utilise its experience to inform small group practice and ensure that learners with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) benefit from the fund where necessary and appropriate.

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 vocational learning for 16 to 19-year-old learners. This tuition will be in addition to the planned study programme hours. The Academy will receive £150.00 per student without GCSE grade 4 or above in English and/or maths based on the numbers in their current 2020 to 2021 academic year allocation.

Who can be supported by this fund?

Learners must be aged 16-19 and must not have already achieved a GCSE 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 Paddington Academy using this Fund?

Relevant students receive weekly small-group tuition in GCSE English and maths. Groups are organised into small classes, general of five or fewer students. Provision is led by experienced subject experts on the main teaching staff. Students have been provided with up to 100 minutes per week of additional timetabled tuition in English and maths. Key learning needs and curriculum are identified and planned into the scheme of learning. More vulnerable students also receive additional support through our inclusion team.

What is our pledge?

Paddington Academy is committed to ensuring the tuition fund is used in accordance with the Government's guidance on the 16 to 19 tuition funds by:

- Producing this statement setting out how the fund will be used to support the most disadvantaged students.
- Publishing this guidance on the Academy 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 ESFA of any underspend from the fund for it to be reclaimed.

If you'd like to ask a question about the 16 to 19 Tuition Fund, please email:

Matthew.inniss@paddington-academy.org