

## Financial Support Eligibility Criteria and Additional Information

Fund	General Eligibility Criteria - Other Rules Apply	Additional Information
<p><b>16-18 Extended Bursary</b> (DfE 16 to 19 Bursary Fund)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are in Local Authority Care or a Care Leaver</li> <li>You receive Universal Credit in your own name and are financially supporting yourself (or financially supporting yourself and someone who is dependent on you and living with you, such as a child or partner), or</li> <li>You receive Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payment <b>and</b> Universal Credit in your own name</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For students aged 16, 17 or 18 on 31st August 2026</li> <li>This Bursary is worth up to a maximum of £1,200.00 per academic year and is based on essential course participation costs (e.g. travel, meals, course related costs etc).</li> <li>Awards will not be made where there is no financial need e.g. you have no essential course participation costs.</li> <li>If your essential course participation costs exceed £1,200.00, further support may be available through the 16-18 Learner Support Fund.</li> <li>You must have a bank account in your own name. Payments cannot be made into another person's account.</li> </ul>
<p><b>16-18 Learner Support Fund</b> (DfE 16 to 19 Bursary Fund)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You live in a <a href="#">household</a> where your parent(s), guardian(s) or foster carer(s) receive Universal Credit, and the total annual net income (assessed earnings and the Universal Credit payment) does not exceed £48,000 per year, or</li> <li>whose assessed gross household income is less than £48,000 per year, or</li> <li>You live in a household where your parent(s), guardian(s) or foster carer(s) receive the guarantee element of Pension Credit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For students aged 16, 17 or 18 on 31st August 2026</li> <li>See <a href="#">Section 9 - Travel Support: Key Information for All Applicants and Additional Eligibility Criteria</a> for more information.</li> </ul>
<p><b>16-18 Travel Pilot</b> (Provided through Lincoln College)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You live in a <a href="#">household</a> where your parent(s), guardian(s) or foster carer(s) assessed gross household income is between £48,000 and £60,000 per year.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This fund is available to students aged 16, 17 or 18 on 31st August 2026 attending Newark College, including ASI, or where your postcode begins with LN7, LN8 or DN21 and you attend Lincoln College -Monks Road, Christ Hospital Terrace, Rand Park Farm or Caistor Equestrian Centre.</li> <li>See <a href="#">Section 9 - Travel Support: Key Information for All Applicants and Additional Eligibility Criteria</a> for more information.</li> </ul>
<p><b>16-19 Care to Learn (C2L) Childcare Support</b> (Provided through the DfE)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are the main carer and in receipt of Child Benefit for the child or children for whom you are claiming childcare support.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For students aged under 20 at the start of their course.</li> <li>See <a href="#">Section 10. Childcare Support: Key Information for All Applicants and Additional Eligibility Criteria</a> for more information</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Free College Meals</b> (DfE Free Meals in Further Education)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You live in a <a href="#">household</a> where you, your parent(s), guardian(s) or foster carer(s) are in receipt Universal Credit (Other rules apply).</li> <li>You receive support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999</li> <li>Households in receipt of Income-related Employment and Support Allowance or the guarantee element of Pension Credit may also be entitled to a meal.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For students aged 16, 17 or 18 on 31st August 2026, or aged between 19-24 on the 31st August 2026 and either subject to a 2026/27 Education Health Care Plan, or aged 19 and studying on the exact same programme you started before you turned 19.</li> <li>See Section 8: <a href="#">Meals Support: Further information and additional eligibility criteria</a> for more information</li> </ul>
<p><b>16-18 Meal Support Scheme</b> (16 to 19 Bursary Fund)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You meet the eligibility criteria for the 16-18 Learner Support Fund.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For students aged 16, 17 or 18 on 31st August 2026</li> <li>See Section 8: <a href="#">Meals Support: Further information and additional eligibility criteria</a> for more information</li> </ul>
<p><b>Care Leavers' Support Fund</b> (Part of the GLCCA Adult Skills Fund)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are a Care Leaver and reside within the Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority area (GLCCA), and</li> <li>enrolled on a programme of learning of at least 60 Guided Learning Hours (GLH) funded by the GLCCA.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For students aged 19 or over and under 25 on 31 August 2026</li> <li>This Bursary is worth up to a maximum of £1,500.00 per academic year and is based on essential course participation costs (e.g. travel, meals, course related costs etc).</li> <li>Awards will not be made where there is no financial need e.g. you have no essential course participation costs.</li> <li>If your essential course participation costs exceed £1,500.00, further support may be available through the 19+ Learner Support Fund.</li> <li>You must have a bank account in your own name. Payments cannot be made into another person's account.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>19+ Learner Support Fund</b> (Part of either The DfE, GLCCA or EMCCA 19+ Adult Skills Fund, or the DfE's 19+ Advanced Learner Loan Bursary)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You are in receipt of Universal Credit and the total annual net income (assessed earnings and the Universal Credit payment) does not exceed £48,000 per year or,</li> <li>• You are in receipt of the Guarantee Element of Pension Credit or,</li> <li>• You live with a parent, guardian or foster carer, do not receive benefits, and your gross income is less than £16,000 per year, or</li> <li>• You live independently as a single person, do not receive benefits and your gross income is less than £32,000 per year, or</li> <li>• You live with a partner, do not receive benefits and your gross household income is less than £48,000 per year.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For students aged 19 or over on 31st August 2026</li> <li>• See <a href="#">Section 8 - Travel Support: Key Information for All Applicants and Additional Eligibility Criteria</a> for more information.</li> </ul>
<p><b>20+ Childcare Fund</b> (Part of either The DfE, GLCCA or EMCCA 19+ Adult Skills Fund, or the DfE's 19+ Advanced Learner Loan Bursary)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You are in receipt of Universal Credit and the total annual net income (assessed earnings and the Universal Credit payment) does not exceed £48,000 per year and,</li> <li>• You are the main carer and in receipt of Child Benefit for the child or children for whom you are claiming childcare support.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For students aged 20 or over at the start of your course.</li> <li>• See <a href="#">Section 9. Childcare Support: Key Information for All Applicants and Additional Eligibility Criteria</a> for more information</li> </ul>