

What is the 16-19 Tuition Fund?

The funding is being used to provide small group tuition for 16–19-year-olds where their learning has been disrupted and they have a GCSE Maths and/or English grade of Grade 4 or below. Although targeted students are identified based on their prior attainment in English and Maths, the funding can be used to support students in non-academic subjects, such as exam preparation and tuition on vocational courses. This tuition will be in addition to the planned study programme hours.

The fund can also be used for pastoral support including mental health and wellbeing.

Who can be supported by this fund?

Learners must be aged 16-19 and must not have already achieved a GCSE grade 4 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 will Bridge Training be using the fund?

In accordance with the conditions laid out by the Education and Skills Funding Agency, we will:

- Run additional small group classes, up to a maximum of five where necessary.
- Purchase bespoke resources to support learning.

Bridge Training will:

- Provide a Learning Support Worker specifically to target support in English and Maths, either small group settings or 1:1.
- Deploy specialist support to improve engagement for learners with SEND.
- Identify students via an Initial needs assessment who need additional help, so that they can be referred to the support team for tailored support.
- Provide GCSE revision sessions.

Our commitment.

Bridge Training 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 Bridge Training 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
- deliver the extra tuition and spend the allocated funds in the academic year 2023/24
- notify the Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of any underspend from the Fund for it to be reclaimed