



## The 16 to 19 Bursary Fund

### **What is the 16-19 Bursary Fund?**

The 16 to 19 Bursary Fund is money the government gives to local authorities, schools, colleges and other education and training providers (education institutions) to support students who need financial help to stay in education.

There are 2 types of 16 to 19 bursaries:

- bursaries for defined vulnerable groups
- discretionary bursaries which institutions award to meet individual needs

Dene Magna is responsible for managing both types of bursary for our 16 to 19 students and we welcome applications for support from eligible Years 12 and 13 each year.

### **What is a bursary for?**

The bursary fund is intended to help students with the essential costs of participating in their study programme, so to help with:

- the cost of travelling to school or college
- the cost of essential books, equipment, field trips & other course-related costs
- the costs associated with attending university interviews and open days

### **Who can apply?**

To be eligible for the bursary, students must be between 16 and 19 years old and meet the criteria for the bursary being applied for:

- the bursary for defined vulnerable groups is for students who are:
  - in or recently left local authority care
  - in receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit
  - in receipt of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and either Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) or Universal Credit
  - in receipt of Personal Independence Payment (PIP) and either ESA or Universal Credit in their own right
- the criteria for the discretionary bursary is set by Dene Magna in line with government guidance - it takes into account the individual and family circumstances and requires the provision of evidence relating to financial matters, such as benefits, salary and family income.

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### **How do I apply?**

If you would like to apply for support from the 16-19 Bursary Fund, please choose the relevant form (both are available from our website) and submit your application and supporting evidence to the Sixth Form office.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Russell or Mrs Davis in the Sixth Form Office or Mrs E. Balmer, Head of Sixth Form. Email:

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Further information can be found at: 16 to 19 Bursary Fund (<https://www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund>).