

LeAF Studio Statement on the use of the 16-19 Tuition Fund 2021 - 2022

LeAF Studio will receive additional funding from December 2021 which will enable us to offer extra support for students aged 16 to 19 on study programmes.

As required by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) we are publishing this statement explaining how we will use the funding allocated to our students here at LeAF Studio.

What is the 16-19 Tuition Fund?

The 16 to 19 tuition fund is ring-fenced funding for schools, colleges and all other 16 to 19 institutions who receive annual funding allocations from ESFA for the provision of 16 to 19 education, to mitigate the disruption to learning arising from coronavirus (COVID-19).

The funding is to support small group tuition for students aged 16 to 19 in English, maths and other subjects that have been disrupted, including vocational and/or academic learning.

All students must be on a 16 to 19 study programme and the funding should be used to support the tuition activity above and beyond the programmes of education already planned.

It is for students who:

- have not achieved a grade 4 or 5 in English and/or maths
- have a grade 4 or above in English and/or maths, are from an economically disadvantaged background and would need catch-up support. These are defined as students from the 27% most economically deprived areas of the country based on the index of multiple deprivation

LeAF Studio will use the small group tuition funding that we have been given to mitigate against the impact of the pandemic on students' progress. Where additional tutoring sessions are provided, they will be limited to up to five students per group, which may be extended to 7 in exceptional circumstances such as limited availability of specialist staff.

How are we using the 16-19 Tuition Fund?

Students will be prioritised for small group tuition based on the guidance released by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). We aim to deliver in English, maths, and our specialism vocational subjects (sport and performing arts) using existing staff alongside third-party providers as the needs are identified. Examples of some of the Tuition Support on offer may include:

- Specific GCSE resit sessions with external tutors (in addition to regular timetabled lessons)
- Individual subject support/catch-up the student by email, Microsoft Teams or telephone as needed
- Additional tuition supporting the needs of students with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) as identified.