

# WHAT IS THE BURSARY?

The 16-19 bursary is a scheme to assist young people to continue in full-time education who may have difficulties in completing their course due to financial reasons.

The scheme is made up of two parts:

There are bursaries of up to £1,200 a year for the most vulnerable. Young people in one of the following categories can apply for this scheme;

Young people who are 16-18 years old, living independently and claiming income support/universal credit in their own right.

Young people who are looked after by the Local Authority.

Young people who are Care Leavers.

Young people receiving Disability Living Allowance (DLA/PIP) in their own name and either Employment and Support Allowance (ESA/UC) or Universal Credit.

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Please be advised that if eligible for financial support under the vulnerable bursary scheme, the College will cover the cost of travel, food, uniform, trips and equipment up to £1,200 for the academic year. If there is limited financial need for assistance from the bursary, you will be allocated reduced support towards these costs, or in some instances where there is no financial need, no bursary will be awarded.

## **Discretionary Bursary**

Students facing financial difficulties may also be able to request assistance with transport, mandatory equipment, meals, trips or other course related costs. Travel support is available to students who travel more than 1.5 miles to their main campus of study. All students requesting support with travel are asked to apply via the 16-19 Bursary Fund Application Form available from Advice Centre's/Reception. Due to the high volume of applications students are expected to cover their own transport costs up to half term, which will then be reimbursed if successfully awarded support.