



Ilfracombe Arts College

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16 – 19 Bursary

Dear student, parent, carer.

The Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA) has been replaced with the 16 – 19 Bursary Fund. This Fund is held by the College and distributed to those students who are eligible for financial support. Please read the following information in conjunction with the Ilfracombe Arts College 16-19 Bursary Statement which can be found on the College website and the YPLA Bursary Fund webpage (ypia.gov.uk/learnersupport/16-19-bursary)

The 16 - 19 Bursary Fund has two elements:

1. **Guaranteed award for vulnerable Learners:** Young People in Care, Care Leavers, Young People in receipt of Income Support and Disabled Young People in receipt of Employment Support allowance who are also in receipt of Disability Living Allowance will be eligible to receive a bursary of at least £1200 a year. The payment method used for this bursary is at the discretion of the College and is arranged to best meet the individual learners need and circumstances. For example, via 'in kind' payments, regular transfers into student's personal bank account or personal cheque or a combination of all three. This will be agreed with the student.
2. **Discretionary Awards** targeted towards Young People facing financial barriers to participation, such as the cost of transport, meals, books and equipment. A list of essential costs for each subject being studied will be used to administer the fund fairly. Discretionary Awards are targeted at those who are facing the greatest financial hardship. Funds are limited and so the following priority groups are used to manage applications:

Priority Group 1: Learners in receipt of Free School Meals

Priority Group 2: Learners who may not be in receipt of Free School Meals but who are from a low income family who receive one the following state benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers' Allowance
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guaranteed Element of Pension Credit
- The **maximum** level of Working Tax Credit (WTC)
- Child Tax Credit if it is the **only** benefit received and where annual income, as assessed by the Inland Revenue, does not exceed £16,190.

Evidence of one of these benefits will be required to support applications to the 16-19 Bursary Fund. It should be noted from the outset that both the guaranteed and the discretionary bursaries are linked to attendance and performance.

If you are eligible for financial assistance please complete the application form and hand to Mrs Dickenson. If you need more information please speak to myself or Mrs Dickenson.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Chris Swailes
Head of Sixth Form



Application Form for 16-19 Bursary

(Any incomplete or illegible applications forms will not be considered)

Name: _____

Tutor Group: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Please tick which of the following applies to you:-

Guaranteed Award:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Child in Care | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Care Leaver | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Young Person in receipt of income support | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Young person in receipt of Employment Support and Disability Living Allowance | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Discretionary Award

Receiving Free School Meals ☐

Family in receipt of one of the following:

- | | |
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| • Income Support | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Income-based Jobseekers' Allowance | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Employment Support Allowance (Income Related) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Guaranteed Element of Pension Credit | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • The maximum level of Working Tax Credit (WTC) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Child Tax Credit if it is the only benefit received and where annual income, as assessed by the Inland Revenue, does not exceed £16,190. | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please insert subjects and levels being studied.

Do you need any financial assistance with your travel arrangements to and from College? Yes / No
Where do you live? What do you need?

Please provide copies of any documents/letters which prove your care status or which benefits you or your family receives. Without this information it will not be possible to process your application to the Bursary Fund.

Signed Student: _____

Signed Parent/Carer: _____

Parent/Carer PRINT NAME: _____

Date: _____