

catering system, purchase of revision guides sold by the academy to students or payment onto a student transport card to bus travel or in circumstances where the student does not have a bank account.

You may get the full amount if you have expenses and study full-time on a course of at least 30 weeks.

You'll be informed of what evidence is required, for example benefit letters.

Who can apply: 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.

DISCRETIONARY BURSARY: Free School Meals and/or Travel Costs - Level 1

As a guide an award **up to** £800 per annum can be made throughout the year but this will depend on the individual need of the student and criteria such as distance to travel, dependents in household, young person has additional responsibilities, and household income. Travel costs will only be considered if the student lives over 5 miles from the Academy. Students will be asked to apply for the Oyster 16+ Zip Card if residing in a London Borough. The award may be higher or lower as will be based on individual need. Therefore, a blanket flat rate payment will not be made to all students who apply as award will reflect need.

Based on £800 usually payable in 3 termly installments. This could be payment for some items such as the academy's cashless catering system, purchase of revision guides sold by the academy to students or payment onto a student transport card or in circumstances where the student does not have a bank account. **The award may be higher or lower depending on the number of applicants and will be determined based on the needs of the students.**

Who can apply: Students who have been in receipt of Free School Meals in past 6 years or means-tested benefits.

DISCRETIONARY BURSARY: Free School Meals and/or Travel Costs - Level 2

Students from a household with an annual income not in excess of £25,000 but do not fall into the above categories, students **may also apply**. The 6th Form is mindful that there may be young people from homes above the £25,000 threshold who would be classed as "**just about managing**" and parents and carers may struggle to provide students with all the books and equipment they need.

As a guide an award **up to** £200 per annum can be made throughout the year but this will depend on the individual need of the student and criteria such as distance to travel, number of dependents in household, has young person has additional responsibilities and household income as examples. Travel costs will only be considered if the student lives over 5 miles from the Academy. Students will be asked to apply for the Oyster 16+ Zip Card if residing in a London Borough. **The award may be higher or lower as will be based on individual need therefore a blanket flat rate payment will not be made to all students who apply as will be assessed on need.**

This could be paid in termly installments or may be larger individual payments for specific identified items.

Who can apply: Those with an identifiable financial need who do not meet the above categories

DISCRETIONARY BURSARY: Additional Support

If there are any funds available once the decisions regarding Free School Meals and Travel Costs have been made, this will open up the opportunity to support students who require additional support with paying for Trips, Course Materials and other educational costs that they may incur.

