

Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium gives schools extra funding to raise the attainment of certain groups of pupils from Reception to Year 11. In order to receive this additional funding, we are required to provide information to the Department for Education confirming which children meet the government criteria. **If you think that we may not already have this information, please contact Miss Megan Sotheran, Admin Student Support, at the college, so that we can check whether your child is eligible for additional funding.**

1. *Ever 6 Free School Meal Children*

If your child is eligible for free school meals or has been in the last 6 years this will generate pupil premium funding for your child's school. To be eligible for free school meals you must be in receipt of the appropriate benefits and have submitted an application for free school meals to the Local Authority Benefits Team.

If you qualify for the appropriate benefits but have chosen not to apply for free school meals please consider applying. You do not have to take up the free school meal to attract the funding for your child's school. Free school meals cannot be backdated so you should only apply if you currently qualify. Claims can be made by calling the Benefits Team on 01429 284188.

2. *Children adopted from care or who have left care*

Schools can receive the pupil premium funding for children who were looked after by an English local authority immediately before being adopted, or who left local authority care on a special guardianship order or child arrangements order (previously known as a residence order). These are collectively referred to as post-LAC in these conditions of grant.

It is up to those with parental responsibility to decide if they wish the school to know whether their child is adopted, or is under a special guardianship order or residence order. If you would like to enable us to claim this premium, you will need to inform us about your child and provide supporting evidence, for example, provide the original Adoption (Court) Order.

4. *Ever 6 Service Children*

Service children are not regarded as disadvantaged and their premium is allocated for pastoral support purposes unless academic support is deemed necessary as there has been disruption to learning from military relocation. Pupils attract the premium if they meet the following criteria:

- One of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces
- One of their parents served in the regular armed forces in the last 6 years
- One of their parents died while serving in the armed forces and the pupil is in receipt of a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) and the War Pensions Scheme (WPS).

If your child meets one of the above Service Premium criteria please let us know as this will enable us to claim this additional funding. Schools will only be able to claim the SPP if the parents of those eligible children declare their child's service status to their school Head Teacher.

Please help us to maximise the amount of Pupil Premium the school receives by getting in touch with Miss Megan Sotheran, Admin Student Support, if you feel your child meets any of the above criteria and we may not already be aware of the circumstances under which they are eligible. Full details of how we spend our Pupil Premium can be viewed on our website www.htcs.org.uk.