

Pupil Premium Policy

2022 - 2023

Denton Community College Pupil Premium Policy

The Government believes that the Pupil Premium, which is additional to main school funding, is the best way to address the current underlying differences between children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their peers by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the students who need it most.

The Pupil Premium was introduced in April 2011 and is allocated to schools to work with students who have been registered for free school meals at any point in the last six years. Schools also receive funding for children who have been looked after continuously for more than six months, and children of service personnel.

The Education Funding Agency set the following Pupil Premium rates for the 2022 – 2023 academic year:

- Students in Years 7 to 11 recorded as Ever 6 FSM £985
- Looked After children £2410
- Children who have ceased to be looked after by a local authority £2410
- Students recorded as 'Ever 6 Service Child' £320

Objectives:

- The Pupil Premium will be used to provide additional educational support to improve the progress and to raise the standard of achievement for these students.
- The funding will be used to narrow and close the gap between the achievements of these students and their peers.
- We will ensure that the additional funding reaches the students who need it most and that it makes a significant impact on their education and lives.
- We will use the additional funding to address any underlying inequalities between children eligible for Pupil Premium and others.

Strategies:

- Pupil Premium will be clearly identifiable within the budget.
- The Headteacher (or delegated Senior Leader) in consultation with the governors and staff, will decide how the Pupil Premium is spent for the benefit of the entitled students.
- The school will assess what additional provision should be made for the individual students.
- The school will be accountable for how it has used the additional funding to support the achievement of those students covered by the Pupil Premium and will report to the Governing Board and stakeholders on how effective the intervention has been in achieving its aims.
- We will publish online information about how we have used the Pupil Premium.
- We will ensure the Governing Board and other stakeholders are made fully aware of the attainment of students covered by the Pupil Premium.
- We will seek to further develop strategies and interventions which can improve the progress and attainment of these students.
- We will track the impact of the strategies put into place through the funding to ensure that we can show the value that has been added to the education of all students in receipt of Pupil Premium funding.
- We will monitor, evaluate and review the success of the impact of the Pupil Premium funding.

Outcomes

This policy will play an important part in the educational development of the individual students who are entitled to the Pupil Premium. We will ensure that these students are treated equally and as favourable as others, and that the additional funding is used well to address the challenges they face. The school will use the additional funding to promote the achievement and progress of all entitled students. Through the wise use of this additional funding we are fully committed to ensuring that the individual needs of each entitled child are met. As a result of the additional funding these children will make better progress and achieve higher standards than would have been likely without it.

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