Statement to support 16 to 19 tuition funding 2023-24

The purpose of this statement is to set out how High Storrs Sixth Form will use the 16 to 19 tuition fund to support students who have been academically disadvantaged due to Covid-19.

How High Storrs Sixth Form will use the 16 to 19 Tuition Fund

High Storrs Sixth Form will use this funding to provide personalised support through small group tuition, additional tutorial sessions and academic support for eligible 16 to 19 year old students. All supported students must be on a 16 to 19 study programme and have had their learning disrupted by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

In line with government guidance, High Storrs will use available funds to prioritise support for the following learners:

- Students who have not achieved a grade 6 in English and/or maths (all High Storrs Sixth Formers have grade 4s as part of their entry requirements) and need catch up support.
- Students who are from an economically disadvantaged background* and would need catch-up support.

*these are defined as students from the 27% most economically deprived areas of the country based on the Index of Multiple Deprivation

• Students who are economically disadvantaged and eligible for the 16 to 19 Bursary Fund and need catch-up support to meet their fill potential.

The particular needs of individuals within these groups of students will be paramount and will form the focus for their study skills and subject specific tuition for A Level courses.

Delivery of small group tuition

We aim for the group sizes to be around five students. In exceptional circumstances group sizes may be extended to up to seven students.

Research from the Education Endowment Foundation (2018) suggests that small group tuition of between two and five students is more effective than larger groups. This enables the tutor to closely match the work to the students' needs in order to teach focused and specific content. Small group tuition also allows regular checks on learning and greater feedback.

The tuition will be scheduled in addition to the existing programmes of study already timetabled for 2023-24. We plan to use a range of staff to deliver the tuition, including hiring a learning mentor for one day per week.

Examples of support and tuition High Storrs Sixth Form will provide

- Subject specific knowledge catch up sessions
- Study skills gap catch up sessions.
- Academic mentoring.

Tuition support will be allocated according to individual based on assessment, clear starting points, learning aims, expectations and outcomes.

Our Commitment

High Storrs Sixth Form is committed to ensuring the tuition fund is used in accordance with the Government's guidance by:

- Producing this statement explaining how we will use the funding in line with guidance to prioritise support for disadvantaged students.
- Publicising this statement on our website.
- Recording the use of funding, including reference to the individual students that receive the support the needs of those students, the number of hours of tuition delivered and retain the necessary evidence of the tuition provided.
- Delivering the extra tuition and spend the associated funding in the 2023-24 academic year.
- Notifying the <u>Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA)</u> of any unspent funding from this fund in order for it to be reclaimed.

Published September 2023