16-19 Tuition Fund statement 2022.23

The ESFA has made funding available to post-16 educational providers to support students who have had their learning affected by the Coronavirus pandemic. The Tuition Fund is ring-fenced for schools, colleges and all other 16 to 19 providers to mitigate the disruption to learning arising from coronavirus.

The funding can be used to provide small group tuition for 16-19 year olds on a study programme where their learning has been disrupted and they have a GCSE maths and / or English grade of 4 or below at age 16. Although the support is targeted based on prior attainment in maths/English, the funding is not limited to support in these subjects and will be provided according to need across a variety of subjects.

Support is being prioritised where students will benefit most from small group tuition, and particular regard is being given to the requirements of disadvantaged students and students with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

Rainford High School Sixth Form is eligible to receive £12069 and has committed to providing an additional subject period for every year 13 vocational and A level class. This additional time has enabled us to focus support for students who have not yet achieved a grade 4 in English and/or maths at GCSE. We will be prioritising those students with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) where appropriate. This tuition will be in addition to students' normal timetabled GCSE English and maths lessons and will be in groups of no more than 5. Tuition support will be based on an individual needs assessment with identification of an individual starting point, clear learning goals, expectations and outcomes.

Examples of some of the support that Rainford High School Sixth Form will be offering are:

- GCSE resit preparation with progress mentor
- Academic Catch-up session available face to face and online
- Vocational catch-up sessions for knowledge and practical skills development
- Support for SEND and High Needs Students with a specialist inclusion teacher

Implementation

The Sixth Form will use the funding as follows:

- Deploying a progress mentor to work with students in small groups to support teaching and learning and knowledge recovery
- Increasing the sixth form learning hours of some existing staff.
- Run 1 to 1 or small group sessions in addition to the existing timetabled hours to support academic progress
- Support will be offered and provided based on the individual needs of each student to ensure they achieve their maximum

Rainford High School Sixth Form Commitment

The Sixth Form is committed to ensuring that the tuition fund is used in accordance with the Government's guidance on the 16 to 19 Tuition Fund by:

- producing this statement setting out how the fund will be used to support the most disadvantaged students and economically and academically affected students post Covid.
- publishing this statement on the school website.
- recording the use of the fund, including references to individual students who receive support, the needs of those students, the number of hours of tuition delivered and retaining the evidence of the tuition provided.
- delivering the extra tuition and spend the allocated funds in the academic year 2021/22
- notifying the Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of any underspend from the Fund for it to be reclaimed.