

Bursary Information

The Student Bursary is available through Furness/Barrow Sixth College to help support students who are in the most vulnerable groups to further their education. Eligibility includes: household income of £23,000 or below; in care/care leavers; students living independently in receipt of income support; students with disabilities.

16– 18 YEAR OLD STUDENTS - YOU CAN CHOOSE OPTION 1 OR 2

OPTION 1

Travel Support (if you live 3 miles or more away from college)
Bus pass or Train fare

OPTION 2

Participation Allowance to allow you to purchase materials you need to participate in education.

A half-termly payment of £60.00 paid if your attendance is over 90%.

YOU ARE ALSO ELIGIBLE TO CHOOSE OPTION 3 OR 4 THE CHOICE IS YOURS.

OPTION 3

Kit/Equipment/Supplies
e.g. boots, art equipment or uniforms, beauty kits.

OPTION 4

If you do not need course related materials, kit or a uniform you could have a college meal (or other support assessed on an individual basis.)

*Students who are eligible for free college meals in their own right may be entitled to further support assessed on an individual basis.

19+ STUDENTS

The **19+ Student** Bursary is there to provide help with:

- Travel costs, books
- Childcare costs for over 20's (for Ofsted registered childcare)*
- Essential course-related equipment
- Financial hardship emergencies
- Trips/University visits

Please note - You must be studying for your first full Level 2 or 3 qualification (5 GCSE grades of A-C are equivalent to a Level 2) to qualify for the weekly Bursary. This is paid for 100% attendance.

ABSENCE/SICKNESS



If your attendance is below 90% you may not receive your Participation Allowance. You must provide evidence of any appointments on your return - i.e. appointment card/letter for Doctor/Dental/Hospital

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If you live more than three miles from College, you may qualify for travel assistance in the form of a bus pass or the weekly equivalent if you use the train.

Equipment

Support from the fund is only given on an attendance above 90%.

How to apply

Application forms are available from Student Services, Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 5pm and Friday 8.30am - 4pm. All the relevant boxes must be completed and then returned to college. Please ask if you need help with your form.

The following evidence must be provided with the application form (if living with a partner you will need to provide their income also)

- Proof of benefit (household)
- Proof of income (household)
- Wage slips (household)
- If you do not have any of the above, bank statements are required
- Child Tax/Working Tax Credits (current)
- Details of own bank account which includes full name, address, account number and sort code. We cannot pay your bursary into an account where you are not the account holder.
- Full details of Nursery provider and costs per day/session (Registered providers*)

What happens next?

Once your application form and evidence have been received, your application will then be assessed. You will be notified in due course of the outcome. If your application is successful, you will be asked to sign an agreement; no payments will commence until this is received. Your attendance at College can also affect whether or not you receive financial support.

What if my circumstances change?

If your circumstances change at any time, i.e. - you become employed, you begin to cohabit with a partner, your partner gains/leave work, or your course hours change, contact Student Services immediately to discuss altering your application.

What if I have need to appeal or have any questions?

If you need to appeal, you can contact the Student Services Manager who will look at your application and let you know the outcome.

If you feel you need to speak to someone, please feel free to call into Student Services to discuss your application or any queries you may have.

Please remember that we are here to support you.



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