**16-19 Tuition Statement 2021-22**

**What is the 16-19 Tuition Fund?**

The 16 to 19 tuition fund is ring-fenced funding for schools, colleges and other 16 to 19 providers to mitigate the disruption to learning arising from coronavirus (COVID-19).

The funding is being provided to support small-group tuition for 16 to 19 students. Although the actual tuition does not need to be for GCSE English or Math's, the students supported all need to be those who had not achieved grade 5 or above in at least one of those subjects at this level by age 16, or those from an economically disadvantaged background. All supported students must be on a 16 to 19 study programme.

**How will The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College use the 16-19 Tuition Fund?**

Funding will be, in the most, used to provide additional staffing to work with identified groups of students. This will be done through either generic study skills sessions where students have been identified through diagnostic testing or subject specific tuition where periods of lockdown have impacted their learning and progress.

Individual or small-group support sessions of no more than 5 students will be set up and will be prioritized for the following students:

* Students who have a grade 4 or below in Math’s and/or English
* Students who are from an economically disadvantaged background
* Students at risk of underachievement identified through diagnostic assessment
* Students who faced significant challenges during periods of lockdown which have impacted their learning and progress

These sessions will be in addition to the students’ normal timetable. The support will be agreed between the student and staff and tailored as far as possible to the individual needs of the students.

We are committed to ensuring the tuition fund is used in accordance with the Government guidance. We will:

* record the use of the 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
* deliver the extra tuition and spend the associated funding in the 2021 to 2022 academic year
* Measure the impact of our provision, through the progress learners make in relation to their starting points and the destinations students access on completion of their study programme.