



### 16-19 Bursary Fund

Dear Parent/Carer and Students,

The 16-19 Bursary Fund is made available from the government through its educational funding body - the Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). It is to provide assistance for 16–19-year-olds students whose access to, or completion of, education is inhibited by financial constraints or barriers.

Students following government (ESFA) funded full time or part-time courses, who are 16 years and over, meet the residency qualifications and satisfy one or more of the following criteria are eligible to apply:

- Students aged at least 16 and under 19 years of age on 31st August 2025 who are in care; are leaving care; are in direct receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit in their own name; or are in receipt of both Employment Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payments.
- Students who are economically or socially disadvantaged and facing the most significant barriers to participate in education.

Bursary information for the academic year 2025-26, including application forms, is available on the BHS website. If you think you may be eligible, please visit the page linked [here](#) in September. The deadline for applications is **Friday 3rd October 2025**.

Yours faithfully,

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