

William Perkin CofE High School Bursary Statement, Student Support 2026/27

For a Sixth Form student entitlement to access funds under the William Perkin CofE High School 16-19 Bursary Scheme is dependent upon meeting the criteria in one of the following groups. Different levels of funding apply to each group and funding is limited and varies year by year. The levels of funding can only be determined once all applications have been made.

Bursaries for young people in defined vulnerable group:

Group A - Young people in care, care leavers, young people in receipt of income support and disabled young people in receipt of Employment Support Allowance who are also in receipt of Disability Living Allowance/Personal Independence Payment. To apply for a Group A Bursary please provide a written letter from your Local Authority Social Services department after 01/08/2026 confirming your status.

Discretionary Bursary support

Group B - Students eligible and registered with Local Authority to receive free school meals. You can check eligibility for free school meals or view the criteria here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>. Initial assessment is by self-declaration and is then supported by a letter from the Local Authority confirming receipt of Free School Meals.

Group C – Students facing financial hardship and whose gross total household income (before tax) is below £35,000. Appropriate evidence confirming eligibility will be required from all adults in the young person's household who contribute to household costs.

Acceptable forms of evidence are:

Evidence of benefits received

- Income Support or Income-based Jobseeker's, Employment and Support Allowance or Universal Credit (UC) – the 3 most recent monthly award statements should be provided. Including payments/support relating to rent and or housing costs.
- Tax credits –Award notification from HM Revenue & Customs for the latest Tax Year detailing the household income and your Tax Credit entitlement.

AND/OR

Evidence of employment

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- Salaries and wages – P60, month 12 or week 53 payslip or 3 months of most recent payslips and P9d or P11d if you have received benefits or payments in kind; and P45 if you had more than one employer in the latest tax year.
- Self-Employment Income – your SA302 form; or Tax Credit award notification for the correct tax year.
- Bank statements or other appropriate evidence.

Declaration of income from other sources such as interest, income from property rental, shares and investments.

All students who believe they are eligible for a William Perkin 16-19 Bursary should complete the application form and submit it to the school along with the supporting evidence, **including those who may have previously been in receipt of a William Perkin CofE High School Bursary**. All completed applications and evidence should be handed to Ms Gandy by 24th September 2026.

Bursary funding **requires students to have their own bank or Post Office account as funds are paid direct to them and will not be paid to a third party**. Students will be required to sign the William Perkin CofE High School Student Support contract. Failure to meet the expectations of the contract will result in non-payment. Support will stop should a student cease to be in learning at the school. In such a case any monies paid in advance will need to be repaid or goods purchased returned to the school.

For enquiries relating to the Twyford 16-19 Bursaries please contact Ms Gandy, Director of Sixth Form, on bgandy@williamperkin.org.uk

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