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**Explanatory note for schools and
academies**

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Introduction

This note sets out the background details behind the figures in your 16 to 19 revenue funding allocation statement for the 2018 to 2019 academic year.

Purpose

The figures in the statement will usually be your final funding allocation, which under normal circumstances will not be changed.

We reserve the right to reduce or withdraw your allocation at any stage should issues arise, through audit or other processes, which significantly affect the underlying data in relation to contract compliance, or if we believe that by making an allocation we will be putting public funds at risk.

By exception, we will consider evidenced and credible business cases from institutions where there has been a significant error in the data returned by the institution.

Should you wish to raise any queries or put forward a business case as set out above, please do so by using our [online enquiry form](#). The deadline for submitting a business case is 27 April 2018.

We will apply standard minimum thresholds to decide whether a case is taken forwards for consideration or not.

- for cases affecting lagged student numbers, 5% of students or a minimum of 50 students, whichever is lower
- for cases affecting large programmes or 19+ continuing students, a minimum of 5 students
- for cases affecting the full time/part time split and other funding factors including programme cost weightings, retention, area cost, disadvantage block 1 funding and for the condition of funding, an overall impact of 5% on total funding or £250,000, whichever is lower
- for other cases not covered above we will review the cases individually with the exception of high needs place funding, for which [arrangements are published on GOV.UK](#)

We will take into consideration cases where a combination of data errors has a combined overall funding impact of 5% on total funding or £250,000, whichever is lower.

Please do not include any personal or sensitive data about your students when submitting your case.

Personal data is information relating to a living individual who is or can be, identified from the data provided. Personal data can be information about the individual, their families or circumstances. This may include:

- names
- contact details
- gender
- date of birth
- other characteristics such as educational activities

When investigating queries from institutions, we will limit requests for data to that which is absolutely necessary to complete the investigation.

Your business case should be submitted by the head of organisation. If the head of organisation has delegated the responsibility to another colleague, the business case must be sent with a supporting email confirming that the head of organisation has agreed the business case can be submitted.

Depending on the nature of your business case, we may require a completed template. If a template is required, we will contact you via email to inform you that a template has been uploaded to the [document exchange](#).

We expect the business cases to be returned by the deadline. Incomplete business cases or those received after the deadline will, if successful, be treated as an adjustment and will take place from September 2018.

Additions and changes

We have thoroughly updated this document to reflect the allocations methodology for 2018 to 2019.

We have added a new section on the [work placement Capacity and Delivery Fund \(CDF\)](#).

Overall approach

We published a [funding letter](#) setting out the key decisions and information relating to allocations for 2018 to 2019.

As in previous years, your funding allocation for 2018 to 2019 will be based on lagged student numbers plus any agreed exceptions where relevant. Your statement includes student numbers and other factors that affect your funding for 2018 to 2019. A box-by-box explanation of the numbers in the statement is given in annex A.

In relation to delivery for 2018 to 2019, you should also refer to our [16 to 19 funding guidance](#) for 2018 to 2019, which will be published on GOV.UK before the start of the academic year.

National funding rates

Band	Category	Planned hours	National funding rate per student	Block 2 disadvantage rate (per instance)
5	- 16 and 17 year olds - Students aged 18 and over with high needs	540+ hours	£4,000	£480
4	Students aged 18 and over without high needs	450+ hours	£3,300 (see below)	£480
	- 16 and 17 year olds - Students aged 18 and over with high needs	450 to 539 hours		
3	All students	360 to 449 hours	£2,700	£292
2	All students	280 to 359 hours	£2,133	£292
1	All students	Up to 279 hours	£4,000/FTE	£480/FTE

In a similar way to last year, we have used 2016 to 2017 full-year data to determine the proportion of students to be funded in each band in the 2018 to 2019 allocations. The maximum funding rate for 18 year olds without high needs in 2018 to 2019 has been set as £3,300, so any 18 year olds without high needs in bands 4 and 5 have been funded at band 4 rate.

All special schools and special academies are funded at a flat rate of £10,000 per place. We have published additional information about the [high needs funding system](#).

Programme cost weighting

Programme cost weightings for 2018 to 2019 are unchanged from those used in allocations for 2017 to 2018. A list of programme cost weightings for 2018 to 2019 is given in the [funding guidance](#) for that year.

Disadvantage block 1

We map deprivation data from the indices of multiple deprivation (IMD) to each student's home postcode to determine whether disadvantage funding should be allocated. From 2016 to 2017 we updated the index to IMD 2015 from IMD 2010.

IMD 2015 is the latest version of this index, released in September 2015. IMD is an official government index that tells us how deprived areas are based on official education, crime, health, employment, and income statistics. Based on this data we assign an uplift to those students that live in the top 27% most deprived areas of the country.

Disadvantage block 2

Disadvantage block 2 provides funds to support students with additional needs including moderate learning difficulties and disabilities. It is based on low prior attainment in maths and English.

We use data from the autumn 2016 census to calculate the average block 2 instances per student to be used in the calculation of your funding. This was a new approach introduced in 2017 to 2018; previously we used Young Peoples Matched Administrative Database (YPMAD) data. This means that we have moved from using data that is 3 years old to using data that is only 2 years old.

As 2017 to 2018 was the first year of this approach, we applied mitigation to protect all institutions that saw a drop in instances per student as a direct result of moving from YPMAD to census source data. This was a one year arrangement and will no longer be applied. Therefore if you identify a large decrease between 2017 to 2018 and 2018 to 2019 you might want to review the data within your ACT file to identify any data recording issues. We will be contacting a small number of institutions that have seen a significant increase from 2017 to 2018.

Core aims

In the school census, you must identify a core aim when students are doing a vocational programme, or a mixed programme that has a vocational core. When students are doing an academic programme, including a mixed programme that does not have a vocational core, you do not flag any of the aims as the core aim.

We use core aim information to:

- determine whether the programme is academic or vocational
- determine whether a programme is a traineeship
- calculate programme cost weighting

- calculate retention

In some instances, multiple core aims for a student are identified across the academic year; where this occurs we use the most recent instance for calculation purposes.

We have identified issues with institutions either flagging a core aim for an academic programme, or not flagging a core aim for a vocational programme.

When institutions select a core aim that is one of the following types, we will count the study programme as academic:

- A level (excluding General Studies or Critical Thinking)
- GCSE
- International Baccalaureate
- Pre-U Diploma
- Free Standing Maths Qualification (FSMQ)
- Access to HE

When you do not select a core aim for students whom we believe are undertaking a vocational study programme, we will attempt to identify a core aim rather than treating them as doing an academic programme. This will avoid a negative effect on the retention and programme cost weighting factors, which would result in a reduced allocation.

When we have identified a vocational student who is missing a core aim, we have selected a core aim by first excluding general studies and critical thinking learning aims, and then applying the following hierarchy to the possible core aims to determine a single aim for each student:

- highest guided learning hours
- highest retention status
- highest programme cost weighting factor
- minimum aim sequence number (the ESFA assigns a unique ID for each learning aim within a student's programme called the aim sequence number)

Retention

When calculating the retention factor, we first calculate a retention rate at student level. We use different criteria to calculate the rate, depending on the programme.

- vocational programmes: students must complete or be continuing to study their core aim

- academic programmes: students must complete or be continuing to study at least one of their academic aims
- traineeship programmes: students must complete or be continuing to study their programme aim

For 2018 to 2019 allocations, we have changed our definition of retention. When students are on a 2 year programme and they complete the first year, they will be counted as retained in that academic year. Completing the first year is defined as still being in learning on 30 June – this date is likely to change in future years dependent on the day of the week. Previously, the whole programme would determine their retention status and therefore students who completed the first year but did not return in the second year would have been treated as withdrawn which had a negative impact on the retention factor.

Large programme funding

The [large programme uplift](#) reflects that some study programmes are necessarily much larger than 600 hours. An uplift will be applied for [achievement of high grades](#) on specific large programmes:

- 4 or 5 A levels or Pre-U qualifications
- International Baccalaureate
- large TechBacc

The uplift for 2018 to 2019 will be calculated using data from 2015 to 2016. There are 2 levels of uplift: 10% and 20% of the national rate per student. Institutions will receive the uplift for 2 years giving them either £800 or £1,600 additional funding per student.

Condition of funding

Students who do not hold a GCSE grade 9 to 4, A* to C or equivalent qualification in these subjects must study maths and/or English as part of their study programme in each academic year. There will be an impact on your allocation when these students are not enrolled on either maths and/or English GCSE or stepping stone qualifications (where applicable), and are not recorded as exempt.

Full time students starting their study programme on or after 1 August 2016 who have prior attainment of a grade D GCSE or equivalent in maths and/or English language must only be enrolled on a GCSE qualification. Enrolment on a stepping stone qualification will not meet the condition of funding for these students.

We have decided to continue to apply the current (2017 to 2018 academic year) tolerance level of 5% from 2018 to 2019 academic year allocations (based on 2016 to 2017 data) until further notice.

We will apply funding reductions for non-compliance with the condition of funding to institutions where more than 5% of students without a GCSE grade 9 to 4 or A* to C in maths and/or English did not enrol on an approved qualification. The funding reductions for these institutions will be applied at half the national funding rate above the tolerance. More details on the tolerance are on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk).

There is still progress that needs to be made in achieving full compliance and institutions should plan to be fully compliant each academic year. We expect any school, college or provider that is not fully compliant with the condition of funding to have a robust plan in place for achieving full compliance. We will not ask institutions to submit their compliance plan to the ESFA, or for institutions to complete an online survey as we did last year. We do however expect the plans to be documented and available on request. We expect the plan to be shared with and reviewed by the institution's governing body and that progress towards full compliance is monitored.

Formula protection funding

Formula protection funding (FPF) was introduced from academic year 2013 to 2014 for institutions subject to significant decreases in funding as a result of the introduction of funding per student in that year. As set out in [the funding letter](#) in January 2016, FPF is being phased out over 6 academic years: the final year in which any FPF will be payable will be academic year 2020 to 2021.

For those institutions who still receive FPF, in 2018 to 2019 we will continue to reduce FPF per student based on the same trajectory as we applied in 2017 to 2018. [Details of the calculation](#) are on GOV.UK.

Work placement Capacity and Delivery Fund

The Capacity and Delivery Fund (CDF) will help institutions prepare to deliver substantive work placements for students on vocational and technical study programmes at levels 2 and 3. The eligibility criteria may change in future years to line up with developing [Tech Level](#) policy.

The funding is additional to the mainstream allocation, which already funds work experience for all students through the planned hours for qualifications and employability, enrichment and pastoral (EEP) activity.

We have taken the student numbers in your allocation from your 2015 to 2016 data. We consider students eligible for CDF funding when they meet all of the following criteria.

- they are full time – that is, their total planned hours are 540 or more if they are 16 or 17 years old, and 450 hours or more if they are 18 year olds or older
- they have met the qualifying period for their study programme
- they are aged 16, 17 and 18 on 31 August 2015 – students who are 19 at the beginning of their programme are not included
- they are enrolled on a level 2 or level 3 programme, with a vocational core aim – [the qualification types that count as vocational](#) are listed on GOV.UK

For institutions that have small numbers of qualifying students, we will fund either

- 10 students, if you have 1 to 10 students, or
- 20 students, if you have 11 to 20 students

Institutions that have more than 20 qualifying students will be funded for that number.

The number of qualifying students in your allocation does not include high needs students (HNS). If you have HNS whom you believe are eligible for CDF, you must submit a business case for a funding adjustment.

The CDF allocation includes additional student support funding, to recognise that some placements will incur extra costs for students, and that institutions may want to offer them financial support.

We will distribute the Capacity and Delivery Fund (CDF) to eligible institutions in the 2018 to 2019 allocations. However, we expect institutions to start capacity building activity from April 2018, so that they can deliver work placements from September 2018. Therefore the first profile payment in will be larger, to include money for activity in this period. For academies we will make this payment in September 2018, and August 2018 for other institutions.

Institutions that opted in for CDF funding submitted implementation plans to the ESFA. In December 2017 we informed institutions whether their plans were complete or if additional information was required.

Institutions with complete plans will see the number of funded students and the amount of CDF funding on their funding statements. A small number of institutions that resubmitted plans that we subsequently assessed as complete will get a revised allocation statement by the end of April 2018.

[More information on CDF](#) is available on GOV.UK.

High needs students

We have based allocations of high needs place funding on the outcomes of the 2018 to 19 local authority place change notification process.

For mainstream academies your high needs place number allocation, where appropriate, can be found in table 4 of your funding statement, which shows the number of high needs places funded at the element 2 rate of £6,000. All special schools and special academies are funded at a flat rate of £10,000 per place.

For 2018 to 2019, all maintained mainstream and maintained special school high needs place number allocations are made at local authority level, rather than at individual school level. Local authorities will agree 16 to 19 place numbers with individual schools.

We published detail on how the 2018 to 2019 place change notification process would work in September 2017 and local authorities submitted any changes to place numbers for mainstream academies, mainstream free schools, studio schools, universal technical colleges (UTCs) and special academies for the 2018 to 2019 academic year in November 2017. We published the outcomes from the 2018 to 19 place change notification process in January 2018.

Institutions were able to submit any enquiries regarding the outcome of the place change process to the ESFA by 2 February 2018. When enquiries have resulted in changes to the published outcomes then institutions will already be aware of these and revised place numbers will be reflected in the final allocation statement. In a very small number of instances, some of these enquiries require further consideration and any changes to place numbers will be communicated separately and confirmed by a revised funding statement.

The high needs place allocations process is now complete and we will not accept any further requests to revise place numbers. All of the [high needs information](#) we have referred to above, including the place change notification process and the outcomes of that process, is available on GOV.UK.

16 to 19 Bursary Fund

Institutions will only receive 16 to 19 Bursary Fund allocations for discretionary bursaries, as in previous years. The funding for vulnerable student bursaries (students in one or more of the defined vulnerable groups) is held centrally by the Student Bursary Support Service and institutions should draw down this funding on demand, whenever they need it, throughout the academic year. This enables institutions to plan their discretionary schemes with much greater confidence, because bursary allocations will not come under pressure to pay unforeseen vulnerable student bursaries later in the year.

For the majority of institutions, the 16 to 19 Bursary Fund allocations for discretionary bursaries in 2018 to 2019 have been calculated based on the number of students in 2009 to 2010 who were in receipt of Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) at £30 per week as a percentage of the 2010 to 2011 allocated student numbers. We have applied this percentage to institutions' 2018 to 2019 student numbers and multiplied the resultant number by the rate of £298 (based on the overall budget available and number of

students to be funded) to give the allocation for the institution. Where an institution had no EMA students in 2009 to 2010 or where the provision was new in 2011 to 2012 or later, allocations have been based on 36% of the institution's 2018 to 2019 funded student numbers. A minimum allocation amount of £500 has been applied.

For maintained special schools, we will use the same information that has underpinned high needs student (HNS) funding to local authorities. As with HNS funding, we will aggregate funding for students at maintained special schools in each local authority area and pay the total to each local authority. Each local authority should use its local knowledge to apportion this funding appropriately between their maintained special schools.

Institutions receiving funding from the [CDF](#) in 2018 to 2019 will also receive additional 16 to 19 Bursary funding. This will be based on 10% of the number of placements set out in an institution's CDF implementation plan. This is the minimum number that should undertake a work placement in 2018 to 2019. A rate of £100 per student will be applied. This represents a third of the standard £298 funding rate, since the extended work placement element of 12 weeks is equivalent to a third of a student's year in 'normal' full time provision. The funding has then been potentially uplifted by the application of a disadvantage factor, based on disadvantage block 1.

We will calculate the additional Bursary funding as follows.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 10\% \text{ of qualifying} & & & & \text{double the uplift of} & & \text{additional funding} \\ \text{students} & \times & \text{£100} & \times & \text{disadvantage block 1} & = & \text{(or minimum of £100)} \end{array}$$

This CDF bursary funding is not ring-fenced for students undertaking a work placement in 2018 to 2019. It is a part of their full allocation, to be used at an institution's discretion.

Residential Bursaries

A small number of institutions will receive a residential support scheme (RSS) allocation for 2018 to 2019.

We have only calculated an allocation for institutions that had students verified as eligible for support from the scheme in the 2017 to 2018 academic year. The allocation provides funding for the actual students receiving RSS. It does not make any assumptions about demand in 2018 to 2019 and the ESFA will release any additional funding that is needed to institutions (both those given an initial allocation and any that approach us in-year with eligible students) as and when required.

[More information on RSS](#) is available on GOV.UK.

Student numbers – lagged numbers and exceptions

The funding formula measures the volume of delivery through student numbers and the size of their programme. Funding allocations normally use a lagged approach, and take student numbers from the number of young people participating in the previous year and programme size from the year before that (that is, the last full year's data return).

Lagged student numbers

Lagged student numbers are calculated in different ways for different types of institutions.

School sixth forms and most academies.

- we base the lagged student numbers on the number of funded students recruited into the academic year 2017 to 2018, taken from the autumn 2017 census. For a small number of academies, we base student numbers on estimates provided by the institution, if this is specified in their funding agreement

Non-maintained special schools.

- October 2017 census pupil headcount plus an uplift using any increase in total pupil numbers between October 2016 and January 2017 census (with a floor of 0 so that no NMSS will get funded for less than their October 2017 census numbers)

The default position is that allocations are based on lagged numbers in order to give an appropriate allocation for each institution for the current year. It is therefore described as an allocation based on lagged numbers, rather than lagged funding or funding in arrears or a guarantee of a lagged allocation. This lagged approach applies in most, but not all circumstances – it applies where there is a reasonably consistent level of delivery over time.

The lagged approach does not apply where there is a material change in the volume of provision offered by an institution, for example new 16 to 19 provision, closing or wind-down of 16 to 19 provision or transfers of provision between institutions (including where this relates to significant changes resulting from sub-contracting). In those cases, the institution is removed from the lagged approach and the funded student numbers are calculated as described below.

As noted above, some academies have a funding agreement that specifies that their allocation is based on their own estimates of student numbers. These academies are also subject to a pupil number adjustment based on their actual delivery in-year.

A small number of schools and academies enrol students throughout the academic year and these in-year enrolments are not captured in the autumn census return. If this in-year

enrolment is significant, the institution should submit a business case before 27 April 2018.

Student numbers for new institutions

Student numbers for new institutions are also derived in different ways for different types of institutions.

- new school sixth forms: one-third of the sixth form's full capacity. In the second year, student numbers will be double the first year's actual recruitment, and in the third year we will use lagged student numbers
- new academy sixth forms: as for school sixth forms. In a small number of cases the number will instead be based on the estimated number of students to be recruited in the first year, as agreed between the ESFA and the institution
- new free schools, university technical colleges (UTCs), and studio schools with sixth forms: the estimated number of students to be recruited in the first year, as agreed between the ESFA and the institution
- new institutions with ESFA funding for high needs students only: the number of places commissioned by the local authority

In all cases, we may consider waiving the standard approach when an institution makes an evidenced case based on exceptional circumstances.

Student numbers for closing institutions or provision

When an institution closes, or stops delivering ESFA funded 16 to 19 provision, we will remove or reduce the lagged numbers to reflect the expected decline in student numbers. We will not allocate 16 to 19 funding to any institution that is completely ceasing 16 to 19 provision, and there will also be a reduction in funding before that if the change in delivery is material (for example, a rundown of provision over 2 years).

For an institution such as a school or academy sixth form with students mainly on 2 year programmes, a typical trajectory for the reduction is likely to be half the lagged numbers in the first year and no funding in the second.

Where institutions are planning to close their sixth form or cease recruiting new students they must notify the ESFA before the start of the academic year. In such cases, the institutions will be taken out of the lagged approach and if an allocation has been made for that academic year, it will be reduced or withdrawn. Late notification of closure or run-down of a sixth form, after the start of the academic year, will result in a withdrawal of the allocation and recovery of funds.

Late notification of closure, after the start of the academic year will result in withdrawal of the allocation and a recovery of funds. Where an institution has not planned to close their sixth form but does not recruit, or data returns show that no students have been enrolled in for the academic year, we will withdraw the allocation and will also action recovery of funds where payments have already occurred.

Transfers of provision and sub-contracted provision

Where students are transferred between 2 institutions on an agreed basis, then the funding for those students will also transfer. This will also be the case where a funded institution (the 'prime') ceases a sub-contracting arrangement with a sub-contractor and that sub-contractor then transfers the provision to a different prime contractor; the funding will follow the learner. This will also apply where there is a phased withdrawal or transfer of provision.

When a prime contractor ceases a sub-contracting arrangement, it is important to ensure there is continuity of provision for those students already on the programme and that there is not a gap in provision created as a result. Prime institutions are reminded that students on sub-contracted provision are their responsibility, and in particular they have a responsibility to ensure that existing students are funded to the end of their programme either by a phased withdrawal from the relationship or transferring funded numbers to another institution which has agreed to pick up the continuing students.

If an institution is planning to cease a sub-contracting arrangement, we expect the sub-contractor to be given sufficient notice of the end of that arrangement (this must be at least 3 months, but may need to be longer). The prime institution must work with the sub-contractor to put plans in place to ensure that students who are part way through their programme are supported to complete.

When a sub-contracting arrangement ceases, we will decide whether to remove the former prime from the lagged approach to reflect this, and if so, will adjust their allocation to remove the sub-contracted numbers. The decision on whether to make an adjustment to lagged numbers will depend on the scale of the sub-contracted provision, the timing and process followed in ceasing the contract, and the nature of any gap that has resulted. Institutions should therefore inform the ESFA if they plan to stop a significant volume of sub-contracted provision.

If an adjustment is made to the allocation for the former prime, the funding for continuing students would usually transfer to the new prime institution. We would then consider an evidence-based business case from the new prime to fund any planned new starts. As set out in the sub-contracting controls guidance, we normally expect sub-contracted provision to be local and distant sub-contracted provision to be the exception.

Annex A: Allocation statement 2018 to 2019 – detailed notes

Programme funding formula

This section shows the various elements of the funding formula and the resulting funding from the application of each.

Title	Comments
Student numbers for 2018 to 2019	As set out in table 1a.
National funding rate per student	As set out in table 1b.
Retention factor	<p><i>Retention rate = retained students ÷ total funded students</i></p> <p><i>Retention factor = (retention rate ÷ 2) + 0.5</i></p> <p>Calculated from autumn census 2017 (whole year 2016 to 2017 data).</p>
Programme cost weighting	<p>The programme cost weighting used is the average for your institution, and has been weighted by the funded hours for each student.</p> <p>Programme cost weighting is based on the sector subject area (SSA) classification for each student's core aim.</p> <p>Calculated from autumn census 2017 (whole year 2016 to 2017 data).</p>
Disadvantage funding	As set out in table 2a.
Large programme funding	As set out in table 2b.
Area cost allowance	<p>Some areas of the country are more expensive to teach in than others, and the area cost weights the allocation to reflect this. The area cost is normally based on your institution's address, except for a small number of institutions that deliver provision in different locations where it is based on the delivery postcodes for that provision.</p>

The values on your statement are rounded to various numbers of decimal places. However, we calculate your funding using un-rounded values. This may result in some slight differences when you work through the calculation yourselves.

Table 1a: Student numbers

Title	Comments
1.1a Total lagged student number	From autumn census 2017 (2017 to 2018 data). The number of students recorded as on roll (main or current main) on the census date (5 October 2017) at the institution in national curriculum years 12, 13 or 14.
1.2a Exceptional variations to lagged student number	An increase or decrease applied to the lagged student numbers. This is when we have agreed an exceptional case. This includes, where appropriate, an adjustment to reflect the current position when we fund an academy on its estimates.
1.3a Total student numbers for 2018 to 2019	This is the total of lagged students plus exceptional variations (box 1.1a + 1.2a).

Table 1b: Breakdown of funding by funding band

Title	Comments
1.1b - 1.5b Student numbers in 2016 to 2017	The student numbers for each funding band as recorded in your 2016 to 2017 data. Band 5 students are all students with annual timetabled hours of 540 and over, except students aged 18+ who are not high needs. Band 4 students are split into 2 categories. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4a is those students who are aged 18+, not high needs and timetabled for over 450 hours per year • 4b is 16 and 17 year olds and students aged 18+ with high needs who are timetabled for between 450 and 540 hours per year Bands 1 to 3 show all 16 to 19 ESFA funded students with timetabled hours in that band. In addition, for students in band 1 (up to 279 hours), row 1.8b shows the total FTEs for the student numbers shown on row 1.7b.
1.1b - 1.5b Proportions used in 2018 to 2019 allocation	Proportions of students to be funded in each band based on the total student numbers in 2016 to 2017.

Title	Comments
1.1b - 1.6b Number of students allocated in 2018 to 2019	The percentages in each band applied to the total student numbers for 2018 to 2019 (box 1.3a). The values in this column are rounded to whole numbers and this may result in a slight difference to the total in box 1.3a.
1.1b - 1.6b National funding rate	The base amount of funding for each student in the band. The funding rates for bands 2, 3 and 4 are derived from the band 5 rate, proportioned according to the midpoint of the hours range.
1.1b - 1.6b Student funding	<i>Number of students (or the number of FTEs in 1.6b) × national funding rate.</i>
1.7b Total student funding	The total student funding for all bands. $1.1b + 1.2b + 1.3b + 1.4b + 1.5b$

Table 1c: Condition of funding (CoF)

Title	Comments
1.1c - 1.6c National funding rate	National funding rates.
1.1c - 1.6c Total students (2016 to 2017 S05)	The total number of students in 2016 to 2017 as shown in table 1b.
1.1c - 1.6c National funding rate applied to total students (2016 to 2017 S05)	The student funding associated with the total students. <i>Total students (FTEs for band 1) × national funding rate</i>
1.1c -1.6c Students not meeting the CoF (2016 to 2017 S05)	The number of students not meeting the condition of funding in 2016 to 2017 as recorded in your autumn 2017 census (whole year 2016 to 2017 data), split by each funding band.
1.1c -1.6c National funding rate applied to CoF non-compliant students	The student funding associated with the students not meeting the condition of funding. <i>students (FTEs for band 1) not meeting the CoF × 2018 to 2019 national funding rate</i>
1.7c Total funding	This shows the total funding for all students and for those students not meeting the condition of funding. $1.1c + 1.2c + 1.3c + 1.4c + 1.5c$

Title	Comments
1.8c 5% of national rate funding for total students	This is a tolerance that is allowed before any adjustment will be applied. <i>5% of national funding rate applied to total students (1.7c)</i>
1.9c Funding for non-compliant students less 5% of total student funding	The resulting adjustment following the 5% tolerance <i>National funding rate applied to CoF non-compliant students (1.7c) minus 1.8c</i>
1.10c Final condition of funding adjustment (at 50%)	In order to mitigate the effect of the Condition of funding adjustments, the final adjustment is at 50%. <i>50% of 1.9c</i>

Table 2a: Distribution of disadvantage funding

Title	Comments
Disadvantage block 1	
2.1a Economic deprivation funding	The student's home postcode and the Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) 2015 are used. The factor is shown as a percentage and is an average across the whole institution, weighted by the funded hours for each student. Calculated from autumn census 2017 (whole year 2016 to 2017 data). This block 1 factor is applied to the programme funding total as shown above up to and including programme cost weighting but before area costs.
2.2a Care leavers	The number of successful 16 to 19 Bursary Fund claims for 2016 to 2017 for vulnerable students who were 'in care' or 'care leavers', at a rate of £480 per student.
2.3a Total block 1 funding	<i>2.1a + 2.2a</i>

Disadvantage block 2	
2.4a Total 2018 to 2019 instances attracting funding per student	<p>The factor is based on the number of instances when a student does not have at least a C grade in GCSE maths or English at the end of year 11. A student without a C in maths and English counts as 2 instances, a student without a C in either maths or English counts as 1 instance and a student with Cs (or above) in both counts as 0 instances.</p> <p>We are now using data from the autumn 2017 census (whole year 2016 to 2017 data) to provide the number of instances per student.</p>
2.5a Total funded instances for 2018 to 2019	<i>Instances per student applied in 2018 to 2019 (2.4a) × total student numbers (1.3a)</i>
2.6a to 2.9a Instances attracting the full time/part time/FTE rate	<p>The total number of instances in box 2.4 split between the full-time and part time bands according to the proportions in table 1b.</p> <p><i>Number of funded instances in each band × block 2 funding rate = block 2 funding</i></p>
2.10a Total block 2 funding	<i>2.6a + 2.7a + 2.9a</i>
2.11a Minimum top up if applicable	If the total disadvantage funding (block 1 + block 2) for an institution is less than £6,000, disadvantage funding will be topped up to £6,000.
2.12a Total disadvantage funding	<i>2.3a + 2.10a + 2.11a</i>

Table 2b: Large programme uplift

Title	Comments
2.1b and 2.2b Students meeting criteria for large programme uplift	The number of students meeting the large programme uplift criteria for the 10% uplift and 20% uplift respectively. Numbers are based on the Young People's Matched Administrative Dataset (YPMAD) for 2015 to 2016.
2.1b and 2.2b Funding uplift per student per year	This is 10% or 20% of the national funding rate.

Title	Comments
2.1b to 2.2b Total large programme uplift (2 years)	2.1b and 2.2b show the total uplift for the 2 years – that is, double the funding uplift per year. <i>students meeting criteria × funding uplift per student per year × 2</i>
2.3b Total large programme uplift	<i>2.1b + 2.2b</i>

Table 3: Formula protection funding (FPF)

Title	Comments
3.1 2017 to 2018 FPF per student	From your 2017 to 2018 allocation statement (box 3.3).
3.2 Reduction applied to 2017 to 2018 FPF	From your 2017 to 2018 allocation statement (box 3.2).
3.3 2018 to 2019 FPF per student	This is the 2017 to 2018 FPF per student minus the same reduction applied in that year, with a minimum of zero. <i>3.1 minus 3.2, or zero, whichever is higher</i>
3.4 Number of students receiving 2018 to 2019 FPF	The number of students receiving FPF in 2018 to 2019 is capped at the number of funded students in 2015 to 2016. <i>The lower of 1.3a and the 2015/16 funded students</i>
3.5 2018 to 2019 Total formula protection funding	The amount of FPF funding to be allocated in 2018 to 2019. <i>3.3 × 3.4</i>
3.6 2018 to 2019 total programme funding plus FPF per student	The programme funding per student (the total programme funding from the summary table on page 1, divided by the number of students) plus the FPF per student. <i>(programme funding ÷ 1.5a) + 3.3</i>

Tables 4 and 5 are different for maintained schools and academies, so are shown separately here – the guidance for academies is after that for maintained schools.

Table 4: Student financial support funding (maintained school sixth forms)

Title	Comments
4.1 Discretionary Bursary Fund – 2018 to 2019 number of funded students	This number of students is based on the 2018 to 2019 funded student numbers as in box 1.3a.
4.1 Percentage applied	<p>The percentage applied is the number of students in 2009 to 2010 in receipt of EMA at £30 per week as a percentage of 2010 to 2011 funded numbers.</p> <p>Where the provision was new in 2011 to 2012 or later, the percentage used is 36% (the national average percentage of students claiming £30 per week in 2009 to 2010).</p> <p>This percentage is multiplied by the 2018 to 2019 student numbers to determine the number of bursary funded students attracting the standard funding rate.</p>
4.1 Standard funding rate	This is the unit cost that has been used to calculate the total funding. The rate for 2018 to 2019 is £298.
4.1 Funding	<p>The standard funding rate is multiplied by the number of bursary funded students (rounded to the nearest pound).</p> <p>A minimum allocation of £500 has been applied.</p> <p><i>2018 to 202019 student numbers × percentage applied × funding rate</i></p>
4.2 Capacity and Delivery: student support funding – 10% of the eligible students	10% of the qualifying students in 5.1.
4.2 Disadvantage block 1 uplift	Double the block 1 uplift allocated in 2018 to 2019 (2.1a).
4.2 Rate per student	The rate per student for 2018 to 2019 is £100.
4.2 Student support capacity and delivery with minimum funding applied	<i>10% of the eligible students × disadvantage block 1 uplift × rate per student</i>
4.3 Student financial support funding total	4.1 + 4.2

Table 4: High needs funding (mainstream academies only)

Title	Comments
4.1 High needs element 2 for 2018 to 2019	For mainstream academies only. <i>Total number of high needs students × rate per student (£6,000) = funding</i>

Table 5: Student financial support funding (mainstream academies)

Title	Comments
5.1 Discretionary Bursary Fund – 2018 to 2019 number of funded students	The 2018 to 2019 funded student numbers as in box 1.3a.
5.1 Percentage applied	<p>The percentage applied is the number of students in 2009 to 2010 in receipt of EMA at £30 per week as a percentage of 2010 to 2011 funded numbers.</p> <p>Where the provision was new in 2011 to 2012 or later, the percentage used is 36% (the national average percentage of students claiming £30 per week in 2009 to 2010).</p> <p>This percentage is multiplied by the 2018 to 2019 student numbers to determine the number of bursary funded students attracting the standard funding rate.</p>
5.1 Standard funding rate	This is the unit cost that has been used to calculate the total funding. The rate for 2018 to 2019 is £298.
5.1 Funding	<p>The standard funding rate is multiplied by the number of bursary funded students (rounded to the nearest pound).</p> <p>A minimum allocation of £500 has been applied.</p> <p><i>2018 to 2019 student numbers × percentage applied × funding rate</i></p>
5.2 Capacity and Delivery: student support funding – 10% of the qualifying students	10% of the qualifying students in 6.1.
5.2 Disadvantage block 1 uplift	Double the block 1 uplift allocated in 2018 to 2019 (2.1a).
5.2 Rate per student	The rate per student for 2018 to 2019 is £100.
5.2 Student support capacity and delivery with minimum funding applied	<i>10% of the qualifying students × disadvantage block 1 uplift × rate per student</i>
5.3 Student financial support funding total	<i>5.1 + 5.2</i>

Table 5 or 6: Capacity and Delivery Fund (CDF)

Title	Comments
5.1/6.1 Number of qualifying students	The number of qualifying students in your 2015 to 2016 data.
5.1/6.1 Number of funded students	<p>The number of funded students.</p> <p>This number may differ from the number of qualifying students.</p> <p>If you have 1 to 10 students, we will fund you for 10 students (£2,500).</p> <p>If you have 11 to 20 qualifying students, we will fund you for 20 students (£5,000).</p>
5.1/6.1 Rate per student	The rate of funding per student for 2018 to 2019 is £250.
5.1/6.1 Capacity and delivery funding	<i>number of funded students × rate per student</i>



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