

EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

There may be exceptional circumstances which could make you eligible for a bursary even if you do not meet the criteria. If you think this may be the case, then you will need to complete an application form and submit it, with a covering letter explaining your current circumstances.

For more information about exceptional circumstances you can contact Ifield Community College on 01293 420500

For further information contact:
Ifield Community College on
01293 420500

Full details and guidance is
available at the Government web
site:

<https://www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund>

**Please note that an
application for bursary
funding does not mean
automatic entitlement.**



Information for Students



Ifield Community College

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What is the 16-19 Bursary Fund?

Ifield Community College administers a bursary fund to support students who are aged between 16 & 19 and who experience financial difficulties or have a low household income. Eligible students could receive financial help which can then be used to buy materials/equipment for their course.

Students may also receive funding for one-off costs such as travel/bus fares or other resources in order to participate in their programme of learning.

Full confidentiality will be maintained at all times when dealing with applications.

Who is eligible?

A) Vulnerable Bursary

Up to £1200 per year for

- Young people in care
- Care leavers
- Young people themselves in receipt of Income Support/ Universal Credit (UC)
- Disabled young people in receipt of Disability Living Allowance, who are also in receipt of Employment and Support Allowance or UC

B) Discretionary Bursary

Some students will be eligible to apply for a discretionary bursary which will be individually assessed based upon

- students in receipt of free school meals or
- whose family household income is £25,000 a year or less or
- whose learning is impacted by other financial hardships

What evidence will be required?

All applications will be financially assessed on an individual basis

To support your application, evidence will be required, such as:

- Letter or award notice confirming DWP benefits
- P60
- Evidence of annual income if self employed
- 3-6 months' worth of wage slips/bank statements

As well as the above, in order to be accepted and maintain the bursary, students are expected to:

- Have acceptable behaviour
- Maintain high levels of attendance
- Meet course requirements
- Follow 6th Form Code of Conduct