

Financial Assistance Policy
2024/25



1. Introduction

- 1.1 The financial assistance fund provides financial support to help parents/carers overcome the specific financial barriers they face in relation to the cost of the school laptop, academy uniform, academy transport and compulsory academy trips.
- 1.2 There are four levels of support available to parents/carers which they can apply for:
- Full financial support. This covers the full cost of the school laptop, uniform allowance, academy transport and compulsory academy trips.
 - Partial financial support - transport support £500
 - Partial financial support - transport support £250
 - Partial financial support - transport support £125

2. Eligibility

2.1 Full financial support

The learner must be in receipt of free school meals.

2.2 Partial financial support: transport £500

The learner is living in care

The learner is leaving or has recently left care

Learner/parent/career is disabled and receiving both Employment Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance

Gross annual household income is less than £20,000

2.3 Partial financial support: transport £250

Gross annual household income is between £20,001 and £25,000

2.4 Partial financial support: transport £125

Gross annual household income is between £25,001 and £27,500

3. Allocation of funding

- 3.1 There are two categories of funding, categorised as full or partial support.

3.1.1 Full support. The academy will cover the full cost of the school laptop, uniform allowance, academy transport and compulsory academy trips. Parents will still need to enrol with EDDE for the school laptop to ensure that the laptop is covered by the warranty. The uniform allowance will be either used at the uniform evening hosted by the uniform supplier or by payment following submission of receipts after purchasing the school uniform.



3.1.2 Partial support: transport £500. The cost of the academy transport will be reduced by £500 and parents/carers will pay the remaining balance by monthly direct debit.

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3.1.4 Partial support: transport £125. The cost of the academy transport will be reduced by £125 and parents/carers will pay the remaining balance by monthly direct debit.

4. **Applying for financial assistance funding**

4.1 An application form and further information are available on the academy's website or by emailing finance@jcbacademy.com

Date of approval by Board of Trustees: 28 November 2024

