

The Downs School - Disadvantage Definitions and Benefits 2018-19

	Years 7-11						Sixth Form		
Category -	Pupil Premium Students			Pupil Premium PLUS Students	Vulnerable children's grant	LIFT	Supported students		
	The government provides extra funding for these students and has a central record of which students are in each group			West Berks council hold funding for these students and may give it to schools for specific purposes	West Berkshire council awards these funds for vulnerable students	(Low Income Families Too) This group of students is defined by The Downs School. No extra government funding is received for these students. Parents can apply for LIFT if their household income is below the Free School Meals threshold (£16,900) even though one parent is in work. (If a parent is in work this means that Free School Meals cannot be applied for) Parents must apply for LIFT status	16-19 Bursary The government provides a grant to the school and The Downs School then decides both the guidelines for this group and the benefits to be received. Students must apply each year for 16-19 Bursary status.		Looked After Children Children who are in care now (Not included in the 16-19 Bursary Scheme)
Sub-category -	Free School Meals Currently registered for FSM	Ever6FSM - students who do not receive free school meals at the moment, but have done so at any point in the last 6 years	Post - Looked After Children - children who have been in care at any time in the last 6 years (inc adopted students)but are not in care now	Looked After Children (current) children who are in care now	Vulnerable children West Berks council award these funds		Free School Meals Please note that sixth form students can receive free school meals.	Other groups any student who would be in the EVER6FSM or LIFT category if they were in years 7 - 11	
Reference	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J
Free meal every day	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
Uniform voucher on arrival in year 7	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO			
Free trips (non-residential)	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES - IF FUNDS ALLOW		NO
Duke of Edinburgh expenses paid	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES			
Sixth form Biology / Geography field trip paid	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	YES - IF FUNDS ALLOW		NO
£100 towards residential trips	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES - IF FUNDS ALLOW		NO
Free educational materials (Art, sketch pads, food ingredients, revision guides etc)	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES - IF FUNDS ALLOW		NO
Other - if there are other expenses that support your child's learning and participation in school please contact school to discuss whether these can be funded.	PLEASE APPLY TO MR WILSON AT SCHOOL	PLEASE APPLY TO MR WILSON AT SCHOOL	PLEASE APPLY TO MR WILSON AT SCHOOL	PLEASE APPLY TO MR WILSON AT SCHOOL	PLEASE APPLY TO MR WILSON AT SCHOOL	PLEASE APPLY TO MR WILSON AT SCHOOL	PLEASE APPLY TO MR HOGAN AT SCHOOL		
Help with the cost of travel to and from school	Please apply to the West Berkshire Council Farepayers Scheme https://info.westberks.gov.uk/farepayingschooltransport						YES	YES	NO
UCAS expenses and University open Days and other Interview expenses							YES IF FUNDS ALLOW - PLEASE AGREE EXPENSES WITH MR HOGAN BEFORE TRAVELLING NB Universities will sometimes fund travel themselves		NO
Student Support Centre services are available to all students and parents	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

NB There are two further Pupil Premium definitions - Services students and Ever6Services students (not services now, but have been in the last 6 years) but these categories are not financially disadvantaged and are supported in other ways rather than through direct financial means.