



Manshead School



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Headteacher: Jim Parker

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Dear Student

Re: 16 to 19 Bursary Fund 2014/15

The 16 to 19 Bursary Fund is a scheme to help young people facing financial hardship to stay in full-time education.

The scheme is made up of two parts:

- Those most in need will be eligible for a 'full' bursary of £1,200 a year and;
- A 'discretionary' bursary for students who need financial support to help them with costs such as transport, food, books or other equipment.

For the full bursary, you must meet one of the following criteria by being a:

- Young person in care
- Care leaver
- Young person receiving income support*
- Disabled young person receiving both Employment Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance*.

For the discretionary bursary, you must be one whose parents or carers are in receipt of:

- Income support*
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Support from the National Asylum Support Service
- Child Tax Credit and have an annual income, assessed by the Inland Revenue, that does not exceed the level set by the Inland Revenue for the relevant tax year: £16,190 from £16,190 (for the tax year ending April 2014)
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance*.

*From 2013 there is the phased introduction of the Universal Credit to replace Income Support and Employment Support Allowance and Personal Independence Payments to replace the Disability Living Allowance. Where applicable, these benefits will be taken into consideration in place of those listed.

Or as a student, you must:

- Be in receipt of Free School Meals
- Be providing care to a sick or disabled relative
- Have a long term medical condition that can affect your studies.

Application is via an application form. Applications will need supporting evidence as appropriate. Successful applicants will receive 6 payments for the academic year 2014/15, two per term. The amount of funding for the bursary scheme is limited. For the discretionary bursary, the amount paid will depend on the number of successful applications received and it will be less than £1,200 a year.

If you believe that you may be eligible for a bursary payment, application forms with further information are available from the Sixth Form Office. For the Autumn Term 2014, applications are preferred by the end of September 2014 but must be received no later than 17 October 2014.

Yours sincerely

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