

### Small Group Tuition Funding

The Department of Education has recently announced funding to support students whose learning was disrupted as a result of the COVID pandemic. This 16-19 Tuition Fund is available to all 16 to 19 providers such as Craven College and is ring-fenced for 16 to 19 small group tuition only. The funding can be used to support small group tuition for 16 to 19 students in English, maths, and other courses where learning has been disrupted. The guidance indicates that the supported students must be on a 16 to 19 study programme and who have not achieved grade 5 or above in GCSE maths and/or English by age 16. Students with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) aged 19 to 24 who have an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan will also be eligible for support via the 16 to 19 Tuition Fund.

Craven College commits to using the small group tuition funding that it has been given to provide maths and English and vocational support to mitigate against the impact of the pandemic on our study programme students. Sessions will be limited to three to five students per group and will be above and beyond normal timetabled hours. Students will be prioritised for small group tuition based on the guidance released by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). The full guidance can be accessed [here](#).

Maths and English catch-up support sessions will be prioritised for the following categories of students:

- Those with an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan
- Those on Pathways and Gateways and Fresh Start provision
- Those who have a grade 3 or below in GCSE Maths and/or English

Vocational support sessions including study skills support will be prioritised for the following categories of students:

- Those with an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan
- Those on Entry, Level 1 and Level 2 study programmes
- Those who have a grade 3 or below in GCSE Maths and/or English

If our funding allocation allows, support may also be provided for those students who have achieved a grade 4 in GCSE maths and/or English by age 16.

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