Statement on The Use of the 16-19 Tuition Fund

As required by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA), the purpose of this statement is to outline how Bath College plans to use the 16-19 tuition fund allocation to support students who have had their learning disrupted by the Covid 19 pandemic.

What is the 16-19 Tuition Fund?

This is an additional fund for 2020-21 academic year to provide support for students aged 16-19 where learning has been disrupted by the COVID-19 lockdown.

The fund will be used for small groups in English, Maths and vocational learning for 16 to 19-year-old learners. This tuition will be in addition to the planned study programme hours and ensure that learners with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) benefit from the fund where necessary and appropriate.

Who can be supported by this fund?

Learners must be aged 16-19 on a study programme and must not have already achieved a GSCE grade 5 or above in maths and/or English by age 16. Students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) - including those aged 19 to 24, who require additional tuition to help them catch up with their studies, will also be supported by this provision.

How will Bath College use this Fund?

Tuition groups will comprise of up to 5 students and the tuition sessions will be scheduled in addition to the planned programme of study hours already timetabled for the academic year 2020/21. Sessions will be delivered face to face, online or through a blended delivery model.

These will incorporate English and mathematics sessions including GCSE English and maths autumn / summer exams and End Point Assessment revision sessions, vocational and technical skills support and specialist support. The tuition support offered will be based on individual needs.

The aim is to support skills development, knowledge and understanding to enable good progress on their study programme and effective transition to the next stage of their learning or employment.

Additional pastoral support may be used to ensure the wellbeing of students and allowing them to fully engage with the available academic support.

Full information about the 16-19 tuition fund can be found at;

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/16-to-19-funding-16-to-19-tuition-fund