

7th October, 2022

Dear Parents/Carers/Students

16-19 Bursary Fund for Academic Year 2022-2023

I am writing to inform/remind you of a government initiative called the 16-19 Bursary Fund. This is specifically targeted toward young people who need financial support to help them stay in education or training after the age of 16.

The complete 16 to 19 Bursary Fund guide: 2022-2023 is available from the Education and Skills Funding Agency and can be accessed through the following web address

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/16-to-19-education-financial-support-for-students#to-19-bursary-fund-1>

Details of Alderman Knight 16-19 Bursary Fund Policy, Bursary Fund information and an application form can be found on the school website Post 16 menu. <https://www.aldermanknight.gloucs.sch.uk/post-16>

If you require hard copies please let me know via email lsheppard@aldermanknight.gloucs.sch.uk or via Weduc.

Students who are eligible for Free School Meals are likely to meet the requirements for our Bursary funding. Therefore, if you haven't applied for FSM we suggest you do so as soon as possible by completing the application process via Gloucestershire County Council's website. The address for this is as follows <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>.

Please note the deadline for the return of the completed application form for the Bursary Funding is **Friday 4th November, 2022**. Applications received after this time will be reviewed but will be dependent on remaining funds after the initial allocations have been made.

If you would like to make an appointment to discuss this further, then please contact me by email or telephone.

Regards

Leon Sheppard
Post 16 Manager