

# SHERBURN HIGH SCHOOL POST 16



## BURSARY FUND 2023/24

#### FINANICAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The Bursary Fund for post 16 students for 2023/24 academic year is available and full details from the Education Funding Agency can be viewed at:

https://www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund and https://www.gov.uk/guidance/16-to-19-education-financial-support-forstudents

In brief, students who are categorised as Vulnerable Learners are guaranteed a Bursary **and** students whose household income is **less than £28,000 per year** (low income household) are entitled to financial assistance with travel, books, course materials, meals etc.

Please follow the two steps below as soon as possible if you feel you qualify to apply for financial assistant from the Bursary Fund.

#### STEP 1 - MEANS TESTING APPLICATION

A financial assessment form needs to be completed to check if you qualify as a low-income household. Free school meal students will automatically qualify and need to complete the first sections of the form only.

### STEP 2 - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATON

An application form needs to be completed for specific financial assistance. This can only be done if you have received confirmation that you qualify as a low-income household or you are a Vulnerable Learner.

Vouchers or direct payments to suppliers/providers will be made wherever possible, cash payments will be given only as a last resort. We may not be able to provide the full amount requested on the application and a contribution from the student may be necessary to enable the application to be granted.

Students will be advised in writing if they qualify under the "means testing" system and if their financial application is successful.

#### APPLY NOW - YOU COULD BE ENTITLED TO FINANCE SUPPORT

APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE SCHOOL WEBSITE UNDER POST 16. IF YOU ARE UNSURE WHAT QUALIFIES FOR FUNDING OR YOU WANT AN APPLICATION FORM PLEASE ASK THE FINANCE OFFICE