

Burnley College

16-19 Bursary Fund Information and Eligibility Guide

Burnley College offers a range of financial support through our 16-19 Financial Support Fund to young people who need support to help them stay in education. You must be aged 16-18 on 31 August 2023, or aged 19 and on the second year of a 2-year course. We have two bursary schemes:

Discretionary Bursary

All students are welcome to apply for this support. Awards will vary from student to student, taking into account household income, household make-up and course/subject requirements. We will give priority to:

- Students eligible for Free College Meals
- Students whose families receive benefits and/or gross annual income of £30,000 or less
- Students who are young carers (either for their own child or close family member)

The Discretionary Bursary can help with:

Travel	Students can purchase a subsidised bus pass from WisePay for £40. Students with low-income households may be eligible for a free bus pass. Students who travel to College via train can apply for a travel grant to help towards train costs. College can fund between 75-100% of travel costs dependant on household income.
Lunches	Students with a household income of £25,000 or less may be eligible for Free College Meals. Students will receive £4 per day on their College ID card.
Trips	The Discretionary Bursary can help fund toward the cost of trips up to a maximum of £200. The amount of funding College will provide will depend on household income.
Equipment	The Discretionary Bursary can help fund toward the cost of essential equipment up to a maximum of £200. The amount of funding College will provide will depend on household income.

Vulnerable Student Bursary

Students aged 16-18 could get up to £1,200 if at least one of the following applies:

- You are in or recently left local authority care
- You receive Universal Credit (or Income Support) in your own name
- You are in receipt of Employment Support Allowance **and** Disability Living Allowance (or Universal Credit **and** Personal Independence Payments) in your own name.

Payments of this bursary will be in-kind support, plus a small weekly payment (term time only) into your bank account, subject to attendance.

If you need further help or advice, please contact s.support@burnley.ac.uk

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Free College Meals

This entitles eligible students £4 per day to spend on a variety of healthy meal options at College. Free College Meals are only available to students who qualify for the Vulnerable Student Bursary, and those whose parent(s) receive and provide evidence of one or more of the following:

- Universal Credit with net earnings under £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (JSA)
- Income-related Employment Support Allowance (ESA)
- State Pension Credit (Guarantee Element)
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not working/not entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

How to Apply

Have all relevant financial evidence ready to upload. To apply, please click here - <https://burnley.paymystudent.com/portal/>

Register your account:

You will need to input your student ID, date of birth and create a password. An email verification will be sent to your student and personal email address - activate this and log in with your student ID, date of birth and password you just created.

Your application:

- Click the button which says 'click here to process with your application for funding'
- Please ensure you check all your details are correct and read all of the information on each page. Leave the name of campus as Burnley College
- Answer the eligibility questions
- Upload all the relevant evidence of your parent's household income
- Provide bank details
- Double check all of your answers and evidence is correct
- Once your application has been assessed, a member of the Support Team will be in contact

Care to Learn

Care to Learn can help with childcare costs while you study. You must be aged under 20 at the start of your programme of study.

How to apply: if this is your first application, apply online at [Care to Learn Application](#). If you received Care to Learn in 2022/23 you can log in and apply for the new academic year.

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