

SEN funding for early years providers, schools and colleges

Provision	Pre – 16		Post 16		Other comments
	Core funding	Top up funding	Core funding	Top up funding	
Early years providers, including nursery provision in maintained schools and academies	Each setting that provides early educational entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds is funded through a single funding formula, providing place funding for each child attending. This entitlement offers funding for 570 hours a year (or 15 hours per week during school term times). Some 2 year olds also have the same entitlement based upon a range of economic and non-economic criteria. There is some delegated funding given to nursery schools, nursery classes & academies designed to meet SEN needs.	The local authority can provide additional funds where it would be unreasonable to expect early years providers to fund from within their budgets. Refer to SEN Support guidance, section B, Funding and Expectations.	Not applicable	Not applicable	
Mainstream primary schools Mainstream primary academies	In addition to the age-weighted pupil unit (AWPU), funding to meet the first £6,000 of additional needs is delegated within school and academy budgets. This is known as the notional SEN budget and is derived from a local formula, (mainly deprivation and prior attainment factors as well as an element of the lump sum), and is intended to provide a minimum level of support in all schools.	The LA can provide additional funds where it would be unreasonable to expect schools to fund from within their notional SEN budget. This top up per pupil is paid by the commissioning LA*. Refer to SEN Support guidance, section B, Funding and Expectations.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Where schools have a high number of children in receipt of additional top-up funding, and over 60% of their notional SEN budget is used to fund the support up to £6,000 for each child, exceptional funding is provided. This is reviewed 3 times a year and relevant schools are notified.

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Mainstream secondary schools Mainstream secondary academies	<p>In addition to the age-weighted pupil unit (AWPU), funding to meet additional needs is delegated within schools budgets and academy grants derived from the local formula.</p> <p>Although the DfE made the delegation threshold of £6,000 mandatory in 2014-15, Oxfordshire decided not to de-delegate funding previously distributed to schools. All available funding is delegated, there is no budget held centrally for top-up funding (with the exception of a few pupils who require brailing or support for pupils with complex physical difficulties arranged through SENSS)</p> <p>Refer to SEN Support guidance, section B, Funding and Expectations.</p> <p>For pupils from other local authorities, each school needs to liaise directly with the respective LA for any top-up funding above £6,000.</p>		<p>Element 1 (based on 16-19 National Funding Formula (NFF)) plus Element 2 (£6,000) based on allocated place number.</p>	<p>Agreed per-pupil top-up paid by commissioning LA</p>	
Maintained special schools and Special academies	<p>£10,000 per place based on agreed place number.</p>	<p>Agreed per-pupil top-up paid by commissioning LA.</p> <p>Oxfordshire has one level of top up funding for all special schools.</p> <p>For pupils from other LAs the school needs to liaise directly with the respective LA for any top-up above £10,000.</p>	<p>£10,000 per place based on agreed place number.</p>	<p>Agreed per-pupil top-up paid by commissioning LA. Oxfordshire has one level of top up funding for special schools,. For pupils from other LAs the school needs to liaise directly with the respective LA for any top-up above £10,000.</p>	<p>If the number of Oxfordshire children on roll exceeds those commissioned then Oxfordshire will fund the full costs from the month in which the child starts.</p>

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Resourced provision in mainstream schools and mainstream academies	£10,000 per place based on agreed place number.	Agreed per-pupil top-up paid by commissioning LA.	Element 1 (NFF) plus Element 2 (£6,000) based on agreed place number.	Agreed per-pupil top-up paid by commissioning LA.	
Maintained pupil referral units or AP Academies	£10,000 per place based on agreed place number	Agreed per-pupil top-up paid by commissioning school or LA	N/A	N/A	
Further education, Vith form colleges & Post 16 Independent Specialist Providers	N/A	N/A	Element 1 (NFF) plus Element 2 (£6,000) based on places commissioned by LAs	Agreed per-student top-up paid by commissioning LA	

***Commissioning Local Authority** is the LA where the child lives or the responsible LA for looked after children

Pupil Premium continues to be allocated as additional funding outside the Dedicated Schools Grant. In 2015/16 the amounts are:

Early years	£302.10 per nursery age child accessing the full 570 hours
Primary Pupil	£1,320
Secondary Pupil	£935
Looked After Child	£1,900
Service Child	£300

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