Denbighshire County Council

School Funding Formula for Mainstream and Special Schools

2018-2019



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Strategic	Activity Cost Drivers				
Activity Element	Primary	Secondary	Special	Comments	
Curriculum	Pupils - £1,766 per pupil	KS3 Pupils - £3,358 per pupil KS4 Pupils – 4,198 per pupil	3 year Average Planned Places - Band 1 pupil - £16,304 Band 2 pupil - £14,674 Band 3 pupil - £12,228 Band 4 pupil - £10,598 Band 5 pupil - £8,152	The curriculum allocation is primarily driven out on standard pupil numbers but weighted differently across the key stages in Secondary. Special Schools receive a pupil allocation based on average planned places over the last 3 years. This aims to stabilise year on year fluctuations in pupil numbers across the 2 schools allowing more accurate planning to be undertaken.	
	Pupils Year 1 to 6 - £2.82 per pupil Lump Sum - £720 per school Middle schools will not receive this lump sum	Pupils Year 7 to 11 - £3.02 per pupil Lump Sum - £720 per school	Pupils Year 1 to 11 - £2.84 per pupil Lump Sum - £720 per school	This allocation is consistent with the North Wales agreed Formula for the funding of Outdoor Education provision. The allocation is not however ring-fenced for that purpose.	
	KS1 nursery pupils only - £689 per pupil KS1 reception pupils only - £1,367 per pupil KS1 year 1 pupils only - £551 per pupil KS1 year 2 pupils only - £551 per pupil KS2 year 3 pupils only - £551 per pupil		KS1 nursery pupils only - £5,754 per pupil KS1 reception pupils only - £1,828 per pupil KS1 year 1 pupils only - £2,935 per pupil KS1 year 2 pupils only - £2,066 per pupil	KS1 pupils attract additional funding towards the Foundation Phase. The KS1 allocation is reflective of Early Years provision and is weighted across the different year groups based on staffing ratio requirements. The funding is currently Welsh Government specific grant but may in future years become part of the Local Authority Revenue Settlement In primary there is an additional top up for year 3 pupils to recognise the costs associated with the transition from year 2 to year 3.	

Lump Sum - £49,475 per school plus an additional top up weighted as follows: 51 to 100 £13,472 101 to 250 £20,208 >250 £26,944 Middle schools will not receive these lump sums	Lump Sum - £49,475 weighted per school: <700 - 5.00 701 to 900 - 4.00 901 to 1200 - 3.00		The Lump Sum allocation gives schools a fixed funding stream that supports the cost of delivering the curriculum. Primary Schools will receive a fixed allocation based on average salary costs across schools with an additional weighted top up being given towards the cost of threshold. Secondary Schools will receive a fixed allocation weighted to the size of the school. Smaller schools receive more in secondary as this reflects the reality that delivering the same curriculum in smaller class sizes is more difficult in these schools.
	Post 16 Allocations based on actual delivery		Post 16 funding for Secondary Schools has been allocated to the value of the total grant received from the Welsh Government (less 3% to be retained Centrally). Only Post 16 pupils will be used in the calculation of these allocations. The proposed allocations in Secondary are consistent with the agreed new method of allocation via actual delivery. Post 16 SEN in Special Schools now forms part of the RSG (no longer a grant) and is distributed as per 3 year average planned places.
FTE All Staff - £779 per fte FTE Teachers only - £4,593 per fte	FTE All Staff - £779 per fte FTE Teachers only - £1,516 per fte	FTE All Staff - £779per fte FTE Teachers only - £3,055 per fte	The FTE allocation allows funding to be differentiated from standard pupil numbers where cost incurrence is more aligned to staff numbers rather than pupil numbers. This would support costs such as Maternity, Sickness and Workload. Workload allocations are based on the cost of a UPS 1 teacher although there is not an expectation that this solely covers teaching time at that level. Secondary allocations are reduced by 2/3's to reflect that teachers have non-contact time already scheduled into the working week. Special Schools are allocated an average of the Primary and Secondary allocations for FTE.

	Class Size Funding – as per policy			Infant and Junior Class Size Funding Fir
	Union Lump sum (where applicable) - £110 per half day	Union Lump sum (where applicable) - £110 per half day	Union Lump sum (where applicable) - £110 per half day	Those schools to whom it applies will receive a lump sum allocation equivalent to the average cost of covering compulsory union secretary time. It will be pro-rata to the amount of time that has been agreed for the member of staff to be released as per the Local Union Branch Secretary agreement. Any local agreements that have agreed an alternative amount will be protected for the life of the agreement.
Social Deprivation	Free School Meal Entitlement - £115 per FSM pupil	Free School Meal Entitlement - £115 per FSM pupil	Free School Meal Entitlement - £115 per FSM pupil	The allocation reflects the regulatory requirement to adjust the budget share based on social deprivation factors. The proposal is to retain Free School Meals as the cost driver for social deprivation which is consistent with the Welsh Government's approach to allocating the Pupil Deprivation Grant. The allocation would be a 10% top up to the current Welsh Government allocation of £1,150 per pupil for PDG.
Additional Learning Needs			Lump Sum - £600 per looked after child	A further allocation of a fixed lump sum per child will be awarded to any school who has a looked after child on roll in a Special school. This is representative of Denbighshire's commitment as a Corporate Parent to Looked after Children. The data to inform this allocation will be collected from schools directly and will be representative of all movements within year.
	Lump Sum - £2,817 per School Middle schools will not receive this lump sum	Lump Sum - £2,817 per School		This recognises the cost of paying a SENCO allowance at each school. It is not applicable to Special Schools as their curriculum pupil led allocation is already weighted to reflect this.

	Exceptional Need and Managed Transfer pupils - £8,509 per pupil High Need pupils - £3,000 per pupil Resource Provisions — Funded on the predicted cost of the provision	Exceptional Need and Managed Transfer pupils - £14,656 per pupil High Need pupils - £618 per pupil	ALN is funded using moderated data for exceptional need, managed transfers and high need pupils. There is an expectation that 5% of the basic curriculum allocation be used to support pupils with lower level additional learning needs. This allocation is towards supporting pupils with a higher level of need within schools only. Special schools are not awarded additional funding for ALN as their curriculum pupil led allocation is already weighted to reflect this.
Welsh Language	Per pupil top up - £134 per pupil assessed through the medium of Welsh (3 year average pupil numbers) Category 2 schools receive a 10% of this amount (£13 per pupil) for those pupils not assessed in Welsh (3 year average pupil numbers) Category 4 schools receive 10% of this amount (£13 per pupil) for all pupils on roll (3 year average pupil numbers)	Per pupil top up - £130 per pupil assessed through the medium of Welsh	The Welsh Language element has been agreed by the Welsh Strategic Group. Consideration has been given to those cases where additional costs are incurred for providing Dual Stream or Welsh Language provision as opposed to providing normal Welsh curriculum as part of the standard curriculum. These costs would be part of the Curriculum element rather than the Welsh Language element. The Welsh Language top up is intended to support schools who incur additional costs as a result of running courses via the Welsh language. This element is informed by the following Welsh Government definitions of: Primary: Cat 1. Welsh Medium Cat 2. Dual Stream Cat 3. Welsh Medium but with significant use of English Cat 4. Predominantly English Medium but with significant use of Welsh Cat 5: English Medium Secondary: Cat 1. Welsh Medium Cat 2. Bilingual Provision Cat 3. Predominantly English Medium but with significant use of Welsh Cat 4. Predominantly English Medium but with significant use of Welsh Cat 4. Predominantly English Medium but with significant use of Welsh Cat 4. Predominantly English Medium but with significant use of Welsh Cat 4. Predominantly English Medium

	Lump Sum - £2,377 per category 1, 2 & 3 school	Lump Sum – £49,641 for category 1, 2 & 3 schools Dinas Bran - £187,110 Brynhyfryd - £279,520 Glan Clwyd - £65,644		The lump sum allocation is allocated only to category 1, 2 & 3 schools where applicable and was agreed by the Welsh Strategic Group. These costs are tailored to each individual school as it is recognised that each one has different needs.
Premises	Predicted Cost of Business Rates/Rents	Predicted Cost of Business Rates/Rents		Rates will be funded on the basis of estimated costs for all schools in line with annual NNDR valuations. Rental budgets are based on a prediction for the year. Adjustments will no longer be done to adjust any under or overspends at year end.
	Floor Area - £34 per m ² (£33 per m ² for VA Schools)	Floor Area - £33 per m ² (£31 per m ² for VA Schools)	Floor Area - £35 per m ²	The premises allocation is a generic unit value that will support all premises related costs and has been calculated using benchmarked expenditure costs and indicative unit values for energy. The lower cost in Secondary reflects the greater economies of scale arising from reduced caretaking costs per m² (i.e. 1 caretaker per secondary school versus 1 caretaker in primary schools)
Sustainability	Lump sum – weighted lump sum of £49,475 if amalgamated school on 2 sites: 0 to 105 pupils - 1.50 106 to 300 pupils - 0.50 300+ pupils - 0.25	Lump sum – lump sum of £49,475 if amalgamated school on 2 sites		Any school that has been amalgamated will benefit from receiving a recognised allocation to support the difficulties inherent in managing 2 sites. This includes administration and the increased staffing costs that occur as a result of the 2 schools being amalgamated. The school is funded as 1 school rather than 2 under an amalgamated model so will receive less funding in the formula than a federated school hence the increased lump sum.
	Lump sum - £3,000 for Federated schools			Any school that has been federated will benefit from receiving an allocation to support the difficulties inherent in managing 2 sites from an administration perspective. The schools still get funded as 2 schools but are managed by one Head Teacher and one Governing Body.
	Transient pupils - £200 per pupil if % transience > 10%	Transient pupils - £200 per pupil if % transience > 10%		Schools that experience transience greater than 10% of their total pupil numbers will be awarded additional funding per pupil for those pupils over the 10% threshold at the rate shown.

Per Pupil - £1,086 top up per pupil in small schools (small school is classified as <70)			This replaces the previous small school protection and provides a top up to the pupil led funding (where applicable) within the weighting shown. The value is calculated as 50% of the pupil led unit value and 50% of the KS1 year 1 pupil led unit value Top up is only applied to the difference between the actual pupils on role and the relevant threshold as detailed below. Less than 50 pupils top up capped at 50 Less than 55 but more than 50, pupils top up capped at 60 Less than 60 but more than 55, pupils top up capped at 60 Less than 65 but more than 60, pupils top up capped at 70 So for example: if a school has 62 pupils they will get a top up of (65-62)x£1,086 = £3,258 if a school has 45 pupils they will get a top up of (50-45)x£1,086 = £5,430
	Lump Sum – SBF total allocation for 2018/19: £220k		For sustainability of schools with >50% out of county pupils, a business case may be submitted for consideration to Denbighshire's School Budget Forum outlining relevant financial pressures and reasoning.
Off-site facilities support - £50 per week x 40 weeks	Off-site facilities support - £200 per week x 40 weeks		This is a contribution towards costs that are incurred by schools that don't have enough amenities to support statutory elements of the curriculum. They may have to travel to schools/other sites to use amenities e.g. Physical Education
		Actual budgeted cost of residential placements	All places will be funded on a budgeted actual cost basis which is consistent with the means at which we recover the cost of out of county placements.

Business Support	Lump Sum - £5,797 Middle schools will not receive this lump sum Per Pupil - £8.17	Lump Sum - £41,278 Middle schools will not receive this lump sum Per Pupil - £12.32	Lump Sum - £19,048 Middle schools will not receive this lump sum Per Pupil - £35.21	The weighted lump sum allocations reflect the cost of the Building Capacity In Schools project and are aligned to the cost of providing Business and Finance Management support within each school.
	Lump Sum - £5,329 Middle schools will not receive this lump sum	Lump Sum - £10,714	Lump Sum - £10,714	Lump sum allocations have been awarded to recognise services that are charged on a fixed sum basis. The amount is calculated as a benchmark against the cost of Denbighshire's Traded Services.
	Per Pupil - £101	Per Pupil - £101	Per Pupil - £101	Per Pupil allocations have been awarded to recognise services that are charged on a per pupil basis. The amount is calculated as a benchmark against the cost of Denbighshire's Traded Services.
	Headcount - £162 per employee	Headcount - £162 per employee	Headcount - £162 per employee	Headcount allocations have been awarded to recognise services that are charged on a Headcount basis. The amount is calculated as a benchmark against the cost of Denbighshire's Traded Services.
	Governors Clerk - £800 per school Middle schools will not receive this lump sum	Governors Clerk - £800 per school	Governors Clerk - £800 per school	This has been benchmarked against the cost of Clerking across Wales. Grades have been changed for 2016-17 so the formula has been amended to reflect this in 2017-18.
	Free School Meals - £284 per FSM pupil entitlement	Free School Meals - £284 per FSM pupil entitlement	Free School Meals - £284 per FSM pupil entitlement	This is reflective of the cost of paying for Free School Meals for those pupils who are entitled to a meal.
		Actual cost of Leisure Centres		This reflects the actual cost of paying for the Dual Use agreement for the use of Leisure Centres.
	Actual Cost of Premises & Liability Insurance	Actual Cost of Premises & Liability Insurance	Actual Cost of Premises & Liability Insurance	All schools will be given the full budget to cover the cost of paying premises and liability insurance.

Lump Sum - £4,000	Lump Sum - £15,000	This is a Lump Sum contribution towards the costs of running of a Breakfast Club.
Per Pupil - £30 per F/T pupil		This is a per pupil contribution towards the costs of running of a Breakfast Club.
Lump Sum - £1,060		This is a contribution towards the cost of Primary Swimming