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## 16-19 Tuition Fund Statement

As required by the ESFA – detailed in their document 16-19 tuition fund released on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2020 and updated on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020, we are publishing this statement to explain how we will use the 16-19 Tuition Funding in line with the ESFA guidance to prioritise support for disadvantaged students.

Where subsequent ESFA guidance changes, this document may be updated to reflect any such changes.

### The Statement

In line with Government guidance, we are publishing this statement to demonstrate how additional funding for 16 to 19-year-old students (called the '16 to 19 tuition fund') will be utilised in the 2020-21 funding year.

The additional funding made available to NOVA will be used to provide support small group tuition for specific cohorts of 16 to 19 students in English, maths, and other courses where learning has been disrupted, for example within vocational courses where assessment has been deferred and/or otherwise disrupted because of lockdown.

Eligible students will be those identified by the Government as disadvantaged, meaning those who had not achieved grade 4 or above in at least one of English and/or maths at this level by age 16. All will be on a 16 to 19 study programme. The subjects covered in the tuition will not be limited to English and maths. Subject to the availability of funds we may also offer support to students with a grade 4 who also need catch up support.

Learners in need of catch up support will be identified by Tutors/Managers, who will be able to identify and recorded their specific needs. They may then refer learners for small group catch-up sessions. Students will also be encouraged to refer themselves if they feel they need additional support.

Some students may benefit may from Additional Learning Support staff (ALS) supporting them alongside their usual class tutor. ALS staff will be available for these students to ensure learners engage and progress more rapidly.