

To: Headteachers of primary and high schools
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Dear Colleagues

Indicative School National Funding Formula Allocations

Last term we consulted schools and the Schools Forum on the implementation of the national funding formula for pupils in Reception to Year 11 and Cabinet agreed the formula as presented to the Schools Forum in November. School Forum papers can be access through the following link [HERE](#).

The total allocation to schools has indicatively increased by £7.14m between 2021-22 and 2022-23, despite an overall pupil number reduction. Schools will also receive an additional school supplementary grant allocation to support with meeting the cost of the Health and Social Care Levy and wider additional cost pressures. Individual school level supplementary grant allocations will be published in spring 2022 but the indicative value of this across all Ealing schools is £7.89m.

We have now submitted details of the formula and the calculation of school allocations to the ESFA. Once these are validated by the ESFA in late February these will be final allocations for maintained schools and used by the ESFA to replicate Ealing's formula for Academies and Free Schools but on an Academic Year basis. We do not anticipate significant changes will be required to the figures submitted.

To assist schools in budgeting we have published on the EGfL an excel spreadsheet which sets out the detail of each school's indicative individual NFF allocations. Once we have confirmation from the ESFA that their compliance checks have been completed, we will publish final figures on EGfL.

To access your school's allocation from the site, on the spreadsheet named Indicative schools block allocations 2022-23, insert your school's DfE number in the format of 307XXXX in cell **C9**. Your total school allocation before dedections for de-delegation, Education Functions and rates is shown in cell **J66** and after deductions for de-delegation, Education Functions and rates in cell **J77**. This latter figure is what you have to spend from the NFF allocation.

Maintained Schools De-delegation and Education Functions (Cells J68 and 69)

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For maintained schools, decisions on de-delegation towards funding certain services are made by primary and high school representatives on behalf of their respective sectors. Deductions for education functions are made by all maintained primary and high school representatives. A breakdown of de-delegated Services is shown in **Column P**. Academies and Free Schools may purchase these services.

Education functions are for those statutory responsibilities the LA has for maintained schools. Multi-Academy Trusts make similar types of deductions for schools in their groups. As you will know the school improvement and brokerage grant will be reduced in 2022-23 (ahead of being fully removed in 2023-24). Forum agreed to fund 50% of the reduction for 2022-23 through a top slice from all schools. This is now reflected within the education functions and de-delegation reductions. As Forum agreed different amounts for Primary Schools and High schools, the difference for primary schools has been included as a de-delegation for additional school improvement services.

Rates (cell J76)

Further to the consultation on changes to the payment process of business rates, ESFA will pay business rates directly to billing authorities on behalf of all state funded schools from 2022 to 2023 onwards. Schools budget allocations will therefore be exclusive of rates this year and the impact on school budgets will be net nil, although schools will still need to account for their rates commitment in their CFR return through a manual adjustment. If schools have queries on this they should speak to their bursarial officer or, if they don't buy in, to accountancy.

Notional SEN Budget

Within school allocations, for many years LAs have identified an amount that is notionally for school responsibilities in respect of children at SEN Support and with Education Health and Care Plans. For 2022/23 the basis of the calculation of the notional amount has remained the same and has not changed for some time. The factors included in the calculation are shown in the table below. The notional cash sum is cell **J70**.

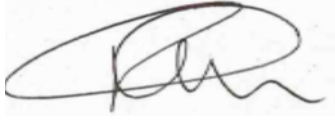
Notional SEN Percentage value of factors	Primary	High
Basic per pupil entitlement	3%	3%
Lump Sum	3%	3%
Ever 6 FSM	50%	50%
IDACI	50%	50%
Low Prior Attainment	100%	100%
Pupil Mobility	25%	25%

Please share this information with your governing body and/or Trust. We will publish further details of allocations for other grants as these become available.

If you have any queries regarding the calculations, please email Stephen Bell BellS@ealing.gov.uk

We are mindful that schools will be beginning the 2022-23 budget setting process. If maintained schools have concerns about being able to set a balanced budget, after the use of any balances, please email Kim Price kprice@ealing.gov.uk as the early as you can to raise these concerns.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Quinn', enclosed in a light grey rectangular box.

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