

Eligibility and funding amounts

The pupil premium grant (PPG) is money given to schools to close the attainment gap between disadvantaged pupils and their peers, and to support pupils with parents in the armed forces (this part of it is also known as the 'service premium').

Eligible groups

- Your school's grant allocations are based on the number of eligible pupils recorded on the **January 2019** census
- For new schools opened in the 2019-20 financial year, grant allocations will be based on the October 2019 census
- Your school will be allocated the pupil premium for eligible pupils aged 4 and over, in year groups from reception to year 11. Where National Curriculum year groups do not apply to a pupil, they're eligible for the pupil premium grant if they're aged 4 to 15 as recorded in the January 2019 school census

Group	Pupil premium per pupil 2019-20
Pupils in year groups reception to year 6 recorded as 'ever 6 free school meals (FSM)'	£1,320
Pupils in year groups 7 to 11 recorded as 'ever 6 FSM'	£935
Looked after children (LAC)	£2,300
Post-LAC	£2,300
*Pupils with parents in the regular armed forces (see 'service premium')	£300

* In addition to disadvantaged pupils, the pupil premium is also used to support pupils with parents in the regular armed forces. Service children aren't considered to be disadvantaged pupils for the purposes of the pupil premium grant, so you shouldn't track them as part of this group. Instead, track them as their own distinct group.

Pupils who meet multiple criteria will be allocated funding based on the criteria with the higher funding level.

Group definitions

Ever 6 FSM

'Ever 6 FSM' pupils for 2019 to 2020 are defined as pupils who were recorded as eligible for FSM on **any** termly census since May 2013, including the January 2019 school census. There is no minimum amount of time a pupil needs to receive FSM to be eligible for pupil premium funding.

Looked after children

A looked after child (LAC) is a pupil who:

- Is or has been in the care of, or provided with accommodation by, an English LA for at least one day, as recorded in the March 2018 children-looked after data return, **and**
- Aged 4 to 15 at 31 August 2017

The DfE will update and finalise this allocation in December 2019.

Post-LAC

Post-LAC are pupils who:

- Were looked after by an English or Welsh LA immediately before being adopted, **or**
- Left care under a special guardianship order or child arrangements order

Allocations for post-LAC are based on the January 2019 school census and alternative provision census.

Service children

Pupils are eligible for service premium if they are an Ever 6 service child. For 2019 to 2020, this means that either:

- One of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces, and this is registered in the January 2019 census
- They have been registered as a service child in any school census since January 2014
- They're in receipt of pensions under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme and the War Pensions Scheme

The service premium is only paid for pupils aged 4 and over in year groups reception to year 11.