

## Additional funding to support increased participation in further education institutions and local authorities 2025/26

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### Summary

This publication sets out the arrangements and timing for additional funding of **£4,000,000** to recognise increased participation in further education institutions (FEI) and local authorities (LA) in the academic year (AY) 2025/26.

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## Introduction

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## Rationale

4. The allocation of £4,000,000 was calculated on a pro-rate basis across the LAs and FEIs to reflect the delivery as reported by Local Authorities in December 2025 and the delivery recorded in the LLWR December 2025 freeze data.

## Additional funding amounts and timings

5. An allocation of **£3,642,212.57** will be allocated to FEIs for increased participation in the AY 2025/26, as shown in the table below.

Further education institutions	Further education   Additional support for mainstream funding
Bridgend College	£280,283.87
Cardiff and Vale College	£301,014.89
Coleg Cambria	£929,602.79
Coleg Gwent	£104,367.28
Coleg Sir Gâr	-£258,657.33
Coleg y Cymoedd	£357,784.78
Gower College Swansea	£226,639.89
Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	£988,585.74
Grŵp NPTC Group	£397,677.88
The College Merthyr Tydfil	£168,060.99
Pembrokeshire College	£34,632.66
St David's Catholic Sixth Form College	£112,219.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>£3,642,212.57</b>

6. The reclaim for Coleg Sir Gâr is as a result of an adjustment to a previous allocation.
7. An allocation of **£357,787.41** will be allocated to local authorities for increased participation for mainstream funding in AY 2025/26, as shown in the table below.

<b>Local authority</b>	<b>Local authority   Additional support for mainstream funding</b>
Isle of Anglesey County Council	£42,755.87
Cardiff Council	£132,748.79
Denbighshire County Council	£43,596.00
Monmouthshire County Council	£11,708.37
Neath Port Talbot Council	£16,602.54
Pembrokeshire County Council	£66,853.43
Swansea City and County Council	£23,449.58
Torfaen County Borough Council	£10,196.21
Vale of Glamorgan Council	£9,876.62
<b>Total</b>	<b>£357,787.41</b>

8. This funding relates to the period 1 August 2025 to 31 July 2026. This additional funding to support increased participation for the AY 2025/26 will be paid in full in one instalment on 31 March 2026.

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