

NECESSITOUS SCHOOL CLOTHING For Lincolnshire schools

Lincolnshire County Council's (LCC) Inclusion and Attendance Service operates a small fund to assist families in extreme hardship with necessitous school clothing. The child has to be of statutory school age (5-16) and NOT eligible for pupil premium funding.

The criteria are:

1. The claimant is referred by a practitioner that is currently working with the family e.g. headteacher, school attendance officer, local authority attendance officer, social worker etc, families cannot self-refer
2. The family should be in receipt of a state benefit related to low income such as Income Support or Universal Credit
3. EXTREME circumstances causing disadvantage to a child's educational opportunity exist at the time of the claim. (such as house fire, flood or fleeing Domestic violence)
4. The claimant's family must be ordinarily resident in Lincolnshire and attending (or offered and accepted a school place at) a Lincolnshire state-funded school (maintained, community, academy, aided).

All 4 points MUST apply at the time of the application.

The maximum allowance for a grant is £40 for a secondary school-aged child and £30 for a primary school-aged child to a limit of £120 per family.

It is expected that a grant will only be made in respect of an individual child once per year.

Application forms are used and kept for audit purposes.

Application forms for necessitous items will need to be completed by the professional working with the family.

Only a voucher is granted, the Admin Officer will send out a Purchase Order with a covering letter to the claimant. A voucher will be valid for one year.

Incomplete referral forms will be rejected.

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These criteria will be reviewed in, or before, August 2020.