

Pupil premia criterion

Criterion

Children eligible for the early years' pupil premium, the pupil premium, and the service premium.

More details about early years pupil premia can be found [here](#).

How to apply

Pupil premia criterion applications must be made on the pupil premia application form.

The form is available as an [online form](#), can be downloaded from the Admissions page of the academy's website, or requested via the contact details below.

The form should be accompanied by proof of eligibility; please refer to the list below for the information that is required.

This form is required in addition to the submission of a completed local authority application form.

For applications

- to start Reception in September 2026, the pupil premia application should be submitted by 15 January 2026.
- in-year, it should be submitted at the same time the in-year application is made.

Proof of eligibility

Proof of eligibility can be one of the following:

- a letter from your child's nursery / current school confirming they are receiving early years pupil premium, the pupil premium, or the service premium for your child.
- in the case of early years pupil premium or pupil premium, documents confirming you get 15 hours free childcare, and you are also receiving one of the following:
 - Income Support
 - income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
 - income-related Employment and Support Allowance
 - support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
 - the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
 - Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
 - Working Tax Credit run-on, which is paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
 - Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year after tax not including any benefits you get.

You may also get early years pupil premium if your child is currently being looked after by a local authority in England or Wales or if your child has left care in England or Wales through:

- adoption
- special guardianship order
- a child arrangements order
- in the case of service premium, a document confirming one of the following:
 - one of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces (including children with a parent who is on full commitment as part of the full-time reserve)
 - one of their parents died whilst serving in the armed forces and the child receives a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme
 - they have been registered as a 'service child' on the January school census at any point since 2016.

Contact details

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