



Durham Johnston Educational Fund

Supporting pupils (past and present) of Belmont Community School; Durham Community Business College; Durham Johnston Comprehensive School; Durham Sixth Form Centre; Durham Trinity School and Sports College; Framwellgate School, Durham and St Leonard's RC Comprehensive School

Grant Guidelines

Before applying please ensure that you fully read these guidelines and the guidelines which support the completion of the online application form.

About the Programme

The Durham Johnston Educational Fund aims to provide grants of between £100 and £250 to individuals who meet each of the following three criteria:

- ✚ Currently aged 24 or under (and will be at the start of the activity for which this funding is intended)
- ✚ Currently resident in Durham City¹ and have been so for a period of two or more years *(If you live with your parent(s)/guardian(s) or you are living away from Durham City whilst attending University but your parent(s)/guardian(s) live in Durham City, the residency in Durham City relates to the address of your parent(s)/guardian(s). If you are married or have lived independently and supported yourself for a period of 12 months or more, the residency in Durham City relates to your address)*
- ✚ Have at any time attended (for a period of two or more years) one of the following eligible schools:
 - ✚ Belmont Community School
 - ✚ Durham Community Business College
 - ✚ Durham Johnston Comprehensive School
 - ✚ Durham Sixth Form Centre
 - ✚ Durham Trinity School and Sports College
 - ✚ Framwellgate School, Durham
 - ✚ St Leonard's RC Comprehensive School

In completing the application the applicant will be asked to provide the name of a referee (this could be a senior tutor at the school attended, social worker, college mentor or other professional who knows the situation of the applicant). County Durham Community Foundation (CDCF) may contact this referee to support CDCF's validation and assessment of the application.

¹ Durham City comprises: the area covered by the former City of Durham District Council and includes Bearpark, Belmont, Brancepeth, Brandon and Byshottles, Cassop-cum Quarrington, Coxhoe, Croxdale and Hett, Framwellgate Moor, Kelloe, Pitlington, Shadforth, Sherburn, Shincliffe, West Rainton and Witton Gilbert

Size of Grant

Grants of between £100 and £250 will be considered.

Due to the limited funds available each year, applications that demonstrate a particular need due to the personal circumstances of the individual (e.g. hardship) will be given priority.

What type of funding can you apply for?

- ✚ Whilst attending school, college or university, the following items will be considered: equipment, uniform, educational trips, research trips, books.
- ✚ Whilst seeking/securing employment, the following items will be considered: interview clothes, uniform, smart work clothes, tools, equipment, books.
- ✚ If studying music or other arts, the following items will be considered: materials, books, instruments, educational trips, research trips.

In all cases, the items requested must be essential with no statutory or third party obligation to provide. For example, a grant will not be awarded towards a work uniform if it is the responsibility of the employer to provide it.

What the fund will not consider:

- ✚ Contribution towards course fees where the course fee is in excess of £1,000
- ✚ Items which are the responsibility of an employer or third party to provide
- ✚ Any item/activity where there is a statutory obligation to provide
- ✚ Gap year activities unless there is a well demonstrated educational element
- ✚ Any individual need where the need for funding is not well demonstrated
- ✚ IT equipment except in exceptional circumstances

Can you apply to other Programmes?

- ✚ Applying to the Durham Johnston Educational Fund does not restrict you from applying to other CDCF Programmes

When to Apply – Application Deadlines

- ✚ Applications can be submitted at any time. There are no closing dates for applications.
- ✚ We aim to inform you of our decision within 6 weeks from the receipt of a fully complete and eligible application.
- ✚ The CDCF website will contain details if the fund has been fully awarded for a particular year and therefore no more applications can be accepted.

How to Apply

To apply for a grant, you must use our online application form which can be found by visiting www.cdcf.org.uk

Please read and download the “How to complete the online application form” guide which provides useful information about completing the form.

Need more help?

Please contact CDCF if you need to discuss your project before submitting an application.

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