

Dedicated Schools Grant – A Quick Guide to the Blocks

	Schools Block	Early Years Block	High Needs Block
2020/21 Grant (Before Academy Recoupment)	£349.680 million	£33.112 million	£69.071 million
Basis of Calculation	Moving to the ‘hard’ National Funding Formula subject to sufficient grant	Pay all providers £4.09 for universal hours and £0.53 for eligible deprivation hours for 3 and 4 year olds Pay all providers £5.37 per hour for eligible 2 year olds	Based on a high needs funding matrix which is currently being phased in.
Delegated Budget pay for	Funding in mainstream schools, excluding mainstream nursery schools, and £6,000 towards special provision if the place has been allocated to a child	Early education for all 3 and 4 year olds for basic 15 hours entitlement plus additional 15 hours for eligible children Early education for vulnerable 2 year olds	Education Health and Care Plans in nursery, primary, and secondary schools. Funding for Special Schools
Academy Budgets	Same formula as maintained schools	Same basis for all early year providers	ESFA funds academy places directly. Top ups are always payable by the LA responsible for the pupil
Central Budget Allocations	Growth fund for meeting pre-16 basic need in terms of additional classes needed to meet infant class size regulations and to meet the cost of new schools	Commissioning Sufficiency & Business Support Quality & Development Family & Parenting Support Family Support Workers	Various SEN services
Current Issues	£2.404 million surplus held against future Growth Fund pressures	Sustainability of Maintained Nursery Schools if their supplement disappears £1.848 million rein-fenced surplus held against any future funding clawbacks	Increased number of places and children with more complex needs means deficit of £5.240 million at end of March 2020. This is being addressed through a DSG Deficit Recovery Plan