

MEETING	SCHOOLS' BUDGET FORUM
DATE	30 September 2024
TITLE	Schools' Grants 2024/25
PURPOSE	Presented for information
RECOMMENDATION	To accept the report
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1 School Grants

1.1 A list of schools' grant for 2024/25 is appended (**atodiad 1**).

Here is a summary –

	Grant Standards	Professional Development Grant	Implementing ALN	Pupil Development	Pupil Development - smoothing	Curriculum Reform	Total Grants 2024/25
primary	£3,929,886	£194,019	£249,069	£1,620,350	£86,794	£118,500	£6,198,618
middle	£314,579	£32,114	£22,923	£129,950	£9,843	£16,372	£525,781
secondary	£1,002,409	£196,420	£129,569	£971,750	£20,580	£101,057	£2,421,784
special	£110,929	£48,868	£17,751	£87,400	£0	£3,415	£268,364
total	£5,357,803	£471,421	£419,311	£2,809,450	£117,216	£239,345	£9,414,546

Grant make up 9% of new resources for schools in 2024/25 -

	Allocation	Grants	Resources	%	fte teacher	fte support
primary	£42,242,531	£6,198,618	£48,441,148	13%	103	310
middle	£6,812,271	£525,781	£7,338,052	7%	9	26
secondary	£41,855,199	£2,421,784	£44,276,983	5%	40	121
special	£5,718,940	£268,364	£5,987,304	4%	4	13
total	£96,628,940	£9,414,546	£106,043,487	9%	157	471

1.3 The allocation for secondary and middle schools includes 6th form grant worth
 Secondary £4,046,555
 Middle £342,170
 Grant 6th £4,388,725

Responsibility for financing 6th form has transferred from Wales Government to MEDR. The Commission for Tertiary Education and Research (CTER) will be a new arm's length body responsible for funding and overseeing post-16 education and research from August 2024.

1.4 Main changes in grants for 2024/25

The new Standards Grant replaces previous grants -

- Education Improvement Grant – Foundation Phase
- Education Improvement Grant – Other
- Cyflymu Dysgu (RRRS)
- Learning Pathways 14-16years

In making these changes Welsh Government has also prescribed the value of grants to each school, rather than leaving local decision to allocate the different grants. In comparison with the grants in 2023/24 Gwynedd's schools received £662k less monies in 2024/25.

1.5 Recommendation

The Forum is requested to accept the report.