



## Leeds Music Education Partnership Charging and remissions policy 2023

*Charging, remissions and subsidy policy information for young people, parents, and schools in Leeds*

LMEP aims to support children and young people to realise their musical potential, and to enable equal access for all. We do this by offering a range of support:

- **Bursaries for music tuition for pupils receiving free school meals via pupil premium**  
Subject to funding available, this entitles all children and young people who are eligible for free school meals on grounds of income to have small group instrumental or vocal lessons in school at a heavily subsidised rate. Lessons may be supplied by any contracted provider and is not restricted to LMEP partners.
- **Fees Assistance**  
LMEP can offer fee assistance for eligible pupils attending City of Leeds Youth Music Groups, Music Centres, Junior Leeds Conservatoire, and other activities provided by LMEP partners. Families in receipt of the following benefits are entitled to financial support subject to availability of funding:
  - Income Support
  - income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
  - income-related Employment and Support Allowance
  - support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
  - the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
  - Child Tax Credit
  - Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
  - Universal Credit - household income must be less than £7,455 a year (after tax and not including any benefits)
  - Looked-after children- free for LAC and their families at Music Centres and CLYM groups.
- **Gifted and Talented Scholarships**  
One-off scholarships of up to £500 are available to help Leeds' most talented, advanced, young musicians realise their full potential, for example support for a student going on to study music at University or Conservatoire who needs an upgraded instrument or assistance with fees for students accepted into national youth ensembles.
- **Partner Innovative Activity Project Grants**  
LMEP Partners can build targeted fees assistance into any project applications they submit. All applications will be subject to funds being available and will be assessed on an individual basis.

Further details about the LMEP offer, including school discounts can be found [here](#) Subsidies and Support for Schools – Artforms Leeds

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*Policy reviewed annually by The Strategic Advisory Group*