



SGS Create Charging & Fees Guidance

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SGS Create Charging Fees Policy (14-16 Year Olds)

Purpose:

This policy outlines the charging approach for SGS Create in line with statutory guidance regarding the education of 14-16 year olds. The aim is to ensure that no learner is excluded from participation in education due to the inability to pay for certain activities.

Charging for Activities:

SGS Create will not charge for education provided during school hours, including core lessons, or for materials required for standard educational activities. However, charges may be applied for:

- Optional extracurricular activities or trips that are not part of the curriculum
- Materials or equipment provided at the request of students, where they will retain ownership (e.g., specialist equipment)
- Examination entry fees where students do not meet the criteria for exemption
- Damages or loss of school property caused by the student

Voluntary Contributions:

For trips, activities, and events outside of standard educational provision, SGS Create may ask for voluntary contributions. These contributions will be used to cover the cost of the activity. However, no student will be discriminated against if their parents are unable to make a contribution.

Remission of Charges:

For students from families eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) or who meet other relevant criteria, SGS Create will consider waiving or reducing charges for specific activities and materials.

Communication and Transparency:

Parents will be informed of any charges and voluntary contributions at the outset, ensuring transparency. SGS Create is committed to working with families to ensure that no student is excluded from educational opportunities due to financial constraints.

This policy is in line with the statutory guidance and reflects SGS Create's commitment to equitable access to education for all learners.