

Dear Headteacher,

We hope this email finds you well. We're writing to ask whether you'll be running a summer school programme over the school summer holidays?

If so, North Yorkshire Together would love to hear more – to see if we're able to offer you additional funding from the Department for Education's Holiday Activities and Food programme to complement your provision.

If you're not running a summer school programme, we wonder whether you might be able to **share information about our current grant programme** to anyone in your networks who might be running holiday activities?

FEAST – The Holiday Activities and Food programme for North Yorkshire

Thanks to funding from the Department for Education, you can apply for a grant from <u>North</u> <u>Yorkshire Together</u> (a partnership between <u>Rural Arts</u>, <u>North Yorkshire Sport</u> and <u>North</u> <u>Yorkshire Youth</u>) to deliver free holiday activities to children on benefits-related Free School Meals.

Activities can be...

- recurring or one-off anything longer than 4 hours in total is possible!
- attended by non-Free School Meal young people too. If the other young people pay to come, you can allocate a number of free places to young people on benefitsrelated Free School Meals via your grant funding
- any theme or style sport, arts, nature, cooking and more!
- for any ages / age groups between 5 and 16

There are two particular funding requirements from the Department for Education that we need activities to take into account:

- At each activity, every FSM young person must receive a healthy meal however, if you can't provide this yourself, we have an arrangement with NYCC Catering who can drop off packed lunches at no cost to you! (It will be included in your grant funding)
- Young people and their families should be signposted to information around nutrition and healthy eating we've got plenty of materials to help with this, and will be running live online sessions you can direct people to!

We are currently accepting final applications for FEAST grants.



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Who can apply?

Anyone with the skills and insurances to run great activities! You could be a sole-trader, a community group, charity, school, business etc.

What's the application process?

We want the application process to be as straight-forward and supportive as possible. We have an application form with set questions, but your answers don't have to be exhaustive - and we're only an email away if you want any advice or guidance. (Although we do suggest you check out our FAQs first!)

The level of grant you receive is based on the amount of places you can offer to young people on benefits-related Free School Meals, and the overall cost of your activities.

We're asking for organisations to aim for a maximum of £16 per eligible young person per half-day for primary age, and £20 for secondary. Of course, two-half days make a full day, so you could be applying for up to £40 per child per day!

If your costs are higher than this – speak to us, explain why this needs to be, and we can still consider your application. Please ensure that all sections of the application form are completed, then submit it to grants@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk

Deadlines

Early applications are advised to maximise your planning time.

Deadline 1: 26th July 2021 at 6pm **Outcome of application:** Friday 30th July

Deadline 2: 2nd August 2021 at 6pm **Outcome of application:** Friday 6th August

Applications submitted in advance of a deadline may receive an outcome before the stated dates as we will review applications on a rolling basis. We hope this opportunity will be of interest to you!

If you have any questions, please do review our FAQS. If your questions are not answered, do email us at <u>grants@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk</u> (or <u>hello@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk</u> for general, non-grant related enquiries).

Many thanks and we wish you, your teams and your pupils a happy and healthy summer.

All the best,

The Team at North Yorkshire Together



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