



CALLINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE (FOUNDATION SCHOOL)

CHARGING POLICY

Charges

The college will apply any charges levied by the LA for services which it provides and also the remission arrangements which the Authority considers appropriate. The college reserves the right to levy a charge in any circumstance permissible under the Education Reform Act.

Voluntary Contributions

Parents may be asked to make voluntary contributions for any visit or journey organised by the college and approved by the Governors. Although the matter of a voluntary contribution will not be a factor in deciding whether a student is allowed to participate in an activity to be financed by voluntary contributions, the college reserves the absolute right to determine whether the level of voluntary contributions is sufficient to enable the activity to take place.

Remissions

The Governors will apply the statutory minimum remissions to any charges which they make: that is in respect of students whose parents are in receipt of Income Support or Family Credit. Any further remission of charges will be at the absolute discretion of the Governors.

Breakages

The Governors reserve the right to ask parents to meet the cost of replacement items incurred as a result of breakages, loss or damage to books, equipment and materials other than the normal fair wear and tear.

Charging in kind

Where parents indicate in advance that they wish to own the finished product of a practical activity they may be asked to provide or pay for ingredients, material, equipment etc., needed. No child will be at a disadvantage because of a parent's unwillingness or inability to contribute in this way.

Examination Fees and Unpaid Charges

Sums payable by parents for wasted examination fees, for optional extras to which they have agreed, or for board and lodging, are recoverable as civil debts.

At the time of making examination entries consideration will be given to those potential candidates who, in the opinion of their teachers, are unlikely to fulfil the examination requirements by failing to complete a component of the examination. In such circumstances parents will be requested to pay the entry fee. If the student completes all components of the examination a full refund will be made to the parents of the candidate.

Charging for Music Tuition

The college charges for additional music tuition delivered by peripatetic teachers. A scheme exists for the remission of charges in certain circumstances.