



The Music Partnership Charging and Remissions Policy

A key objective of the Music Hub core revenue grant, provided by the Department for Education, is to assist in the removal of barriers to learning and making progress for young musicians. As such, this policy has been created to help support engagement and progress in music across a range of activities delivered by the hub and its partners.

Charging and Subsidy

The Music Partnership (TMP) has a diverse portfolio of income streams, beyond the core revenue grant funding provided by the Department for Education. This includes additional fundraising, and charging for activities such as teaching, workshops, tickets and in some local authority areas, for instrument hire.

All activities related to The Music Partnership's Programme of Activity are either supported by the core revenue grant or provided at no cost to the school or parent. Prices remain in place for an academic year and can be found by visiting the website of the partner organisation. These can be found linked from TMP's website – www.themusicpartnership.org.uk

Remissions

The Music Partnership believes that a quality music education is for everyone and that all children should have an equitable entitlement to quality provision. Across the Partnership a range of programmes and support offers are available, and these are summarised below by local authority area. TMP is also committed to searching for support for any young person in need, even if the circumstances listed below are not applicable. The local music service is the key contact for support and details are provided below.



Shropshire Music Service

- Where the school procures the instrumental and vocal lessons, the service works closely with the school to support lesson costs using Pupil Premium for families in receipt of Free School Meals.
- For parent billed lessons, a 50% subsidy up to a maximum of £50 per term is available for pupils in receipt of Free School Meals. A 25% subsidy is available for low-income families. Free instrument loan is available in both cases.
- All pupils learning with Shropshire Music Service can hire an instrument with 65% support provided towards the hire cost.
- Groups and ensembles provided by the service can be attended free of charge.
- All Children in Care receive a 100% subsidy for lessons, which is funded by the Shropshire Virtual School.
- Five-week Early Years delivery packages are fully subsidised by Shropshire Council.
- The service is an exam centre for Trinity College London and the ABRSM. Music service pupils can access a subsidised accompanist to support the exam.

Please contact admin@shropshiremusicservice.org.uk for more information or to request support.

Entrust Music Service Staffordshire

- The service works closely with schools to support lesson costs using Pupil Premium for families in receipt of Free School Meals.
- All instruments are provided free of charge to pupils having lessons with the service or attending a music service group.
- All Music Service groups and ensembles are provided free of charge for children living or educated in Staffordshire. This includes 'Blast Off' an online music group for beginners.
- All Children in Care in Years 4,5 and 6 are entitled to a music lesson fully funded through partnership with the Staffordshire Virtual School. Additional years will be considered upon application.
- The Connect programme from Young Sounds UK provides funding for lessons for children with identified musical talent who are from means tested low-income families.



- FOSYM Awards support children who are not eligible for the above programmes but who are still unable to afford the cost of music lessons.
- The service is an exam centre for Trinity College London and the ABRSM. Music service pupils can access a subsidised accompanist to support the exam.

Please contact musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk for more information or to request support.

Stoke-on-Trent City Music Service

- The Music Service works closely with schools to support lesson costs using Pupil Premium for families in receipt of Free School Meals. Pupil Premium funding is often allocated in support of music lessons.
- Instruments are loaned to pupils having lessons with the Music Service or attending a Music Service Group / Ensemble at no additional charge for pupils in receipt of Free School Meals.
- All Music Service Groups and Ensembles are provided free of charge for children living or educated in Stoke-on-Trent.
- All Looked after Children in Years 4, 5 and 6 are entitled to a music lesson fully funded with the Music Service through partnership with the Stoke-on-Trent Virtual School.
- The Connect programme from Young Sounds UK provides funding for lessons for children with identified musical talent who are from means tested low-income families.

Please contact citymusicservice@stoke.gov.uk for more information or to request support.

Telford & Wrekin Music

- All young people whose family meet the criteria for Free School Meals and Working Tax Credits will be funded to have small group instrumental lessons for one academic year only with Telford & Wrekin Music (or 30 weeks depending on when they start). This will include children & young people who currently attend Academy Schools.



- All those children receiving lessons will receive free of charge, for one-year musical instrument hire (apart from guitar, keyboard, or drums) as long as they are receiving lessons through TWM.
- Children in Care will continue to be fully funded to access small group lessons with TWM and these lessons can be applied for by their school/social worker.
- The Music Service works closely with schools to support lesson costs using Pupil Premium once the 30-week period has finished.

Contact Telford & Wrekin Music for more information or to request support: telford.music@telford.gov.uk

Review and Changes to this Policy

All charges are subject to annual review. Changes are only made where necessary. Any questions or concerns regarding this policy should be sent to musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk

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