**Statement for website**

**Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) ‘Catch-up’ support for students aged 16-19yrs**

Many students have been disadvantaged by the recent disruption to their education caused by the coronavirus pandemic. So, Grantham College is pleased to announce that by utilizing ESFA funding we are now able to offer dedicated ‘Catch-up’ Support sessions for our 16-19-year-old students\*.

We are offering a variety of support, including:

* **Course-Specific Support** sessions for those students who may need additional support to catch-up with parts of their qualification they may have missed due to the pandemic.
* **Study Skills Support** sessions which help students to get back into the routine of studying and regaining study confidence.
* **English and maths** sessions for those students who are retaking their GCSE qualifications or wanting general support in these areas.
* **IT Support** sessions for those students who are getting to grips with online studying, or wanting training in general IT skills, including the Office applications, such as Word or PowerPoint.
* **Employability** sessions which consider the skills needed in the workplace and how to seek opportunities such as apprenticeships, employment or further studying.

These sessions take place on either a one-to-one or in small groups, and can be delivered face-to-face, following our Covid19 safety measures, or remotely via Microsoft Teams.

\*Any student who has an Educational Health and Care Plan, can receive support up to the age of 24years.

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