



## Levelling up premium: methodology

Our funding approach targets disadvantaged schools by focusing on the Education Investment Areas and the proportion of pupils receiving pupil premium.

### Methodology

- Pupil numbers and pupil premium allocations from the [2021 to 2022 pupil premium allocation publication](#) are linked to an extract from [Get Information about Schools](#) to determine which schools are open and what percentage of the pupils in the school are eligible for pupil premium.
- The list is filtered to include the relevant school types and phases. State-funded secondary schools in England have been included, this includes the following school types: local authority-maintained secondary schools (including middle-deemed secondary schools), academies, free schools, and special schools (local authority-maintained or non-maintained).
- The schools are then ranked by the percentage of pupils who received a pupil premium allocation, out of total pupils in the school.
- The local authority of a school is then used to determine if it is in an [Education Investment Area](#).
- Both the pupil premium decile and EIA status determines whether a school is eligible for a payment and what level of payment teachers in that school can receive.

### Payments

- The top 70% of schools by pupil premium payment in EIAs will be eligible to receive a levelling up premium payment.
- The top 50% of schools by pupil premium percentage outside EIAs will be eligible to receive a levelling up premium payment.

Payments are based on the following:

Proportion of pupils by pupil premium decile (1 is highest proportion of pupil premium and 10 is the least)	Payment within EIA	Payment outside of EIA
Decile 1-3	£3,000	£2,000
Decile 4-5	£2,500	£1,500

<b>Decile 6-7</b>	£2,000	NA
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## **School types without published pupil premium allocations**

For teachers in secure units and general hospital schools there are no published Pupil Premium allocations. In recognition of the high levels of special educational needs (SEN) in these schools and the complex challenges faced, we include all these institutions as eligible.

### **Updates to the list**

The list will be refreshed every year following the update to the pupil premium allocations data in June, to allow newly opened schools to be added to the list. Schools that have recently opened may not be present in the pupil premium allocations and therefore may not be eligible until the year following their opening. Schools with pupil premium levels that cause them to leave the list in subsequent updates will continue to be eligible and schools only added, not removed from eligibility.

For information see our levelling up premium school list in the [Levelling up premium payments for teachers](#) guidance.