

2nd Consultation on School Funding Reform

Consultation on school funding reform: Proposals for a fairer system

On the 19th July the Secretary of State launched the second part of a consultation on the reform of the school funding system. It follows the DfE's earlier consultation in April on the principles of school funding reform. The consultation will run for twelve weeks, closing on Tuesday 11 October 2011.

The consultation document sets out proposals for the mechanics of a new funding system, the contents of a new national formula and future funding arrangements for the Pupil Premium, early years provision and High Cost Pupils.

It also clarifies the responsibilities of local authorities, schools and Academies in relation to central services.

In order to allow sufficient time for consultation and to ensure that schools and local authorities have sufficient time to plan for possible changes, - the DfE are consulting on whether they should implement these reforms from 2013-14 or wait until a later spending period. The DfE will maintain the current funding system for maintained schools for 2012-13.

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