



I would like to request information relating to online schools. For the purposes of this request, “online schools” refers to online education providers that offer a full curriculum or represent a child’s main or only source of education.

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To help you provide the information requested, I have attached a template table that I would be grateful if you could use to complete the answers. Please fill in the cells highlighted in yellow.

Please provide the following information:

1. The total number of children the council has funded to attend online schools in each of the past seven academic years (2018/2019 through to 2024/2025 inclusive). *Within each academic year, please break down the total by:*
  - a. Children in primary education (Key Stage 1 and 2)
  - b. Children in secondary/further education (Key Stage 3 and above)
  - c. The percentage of these children that qualify/qualified for free school meals (but not including infant free school meals).
  - d. The percentage of these children that have/had special educational needs and/or disabilities.

[No online schools have been funded during this period](#)
2. The total amount the council has spent on this attendance at online schools in each of the past seven academic years (2018/2019 through to 2024/2025 inclusive). [N/A](#)
3. For the three academic years 2022/2023, 2023/2024 and 2024/2025, please break down the total spend by each online school provider (and name them). [N/A](#)
4. If the information requested in Question 3 is provided, it will not be necessary to answer this question as the information will already have been provided. [N/A](#)