


Education Maintenance Allowance  
(EMA) 2024/25



With EMA **you**  
**could get £40**  
**a week** to help  
with the costs of  
your education



This leaflet tells you if you can get  
EMA and explains how to apply.



We welcome applications in Welsh.  
This won't lead to a delay in our response.



Keep an eye on:  
**[www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/ema](http://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/ema)**  
for updates





## Could I get EMA?

You could get EMA if you can answer yes to **all** the following questions:

- Will you be 16, 17 or 18 years old on 31 August 2024?
  - Do you live in Wales?
  - Will you be continuing to study full time at school or college for at least 12 hours per week?
  - Does your course last at least 10 weeks?
  - Are you the only young person in full-time further education in your household **and** your household income is £20,817 or less?
- or**
- Are there other young people in your household in full-time further education who are eligible for Child Benefit **and** your household income is £23,077 or less?
- or**
- Are you a care leaver?



## How much could I get?

You could get £40 a week, paid directly into your bank account every 2 weeks. This is based on your attendance at school or college.



## What do I need to do?

Check out our website for all the latest information and updates on when and how to apply at:

**[www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/ema](http://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/ema)**

You can apply before you get your GCSE results or before you've decided where you'll study.



Find out more at:

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