Boston Endeavour Academy Admission Policy for HAF Vouchers

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## HAF PROGRAMME

The Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) is a Government funded programme that provides free holiday clubs for reception to year 11 pupils in receipt of benefits-related free school meals in Lincolnshire over the summer, Christmas and Easter holidays.

The HAF programme is designed to ensure a high-quality experience for children that will result in receiving healthy and nutritious meals and maintaining a healthy level of physical activity. Children who attend HAF develop a greater understanding of food, nutrition and other health-related issues and have the opportunity to take part in fun and engaging activities.

Children and young people attending a HAF club will also have the opportunity to have fun, meet new friends, socialise, learn new skills, encounter new experiences and gain confidence whilst enjoying happy, healthy holidays.

## Eligibility

School aged children from Reception to Year 11 in receipt of benefits related free school meals in Lincolnshire, have priority in accessing government funded HAF clubs for free.

As in previous HAF delivery periods, schools have discretion to use up to 15% of their funding to provide HAF E- vouchers for children who are <u>not in receipt of benefits-related FSM</u> but who the school believe could benefit from HAF.

In deciding which children should benefit from the 15% E-vouchers, schools should consider the following characteristics:

- Children being supported by targeted services (child in need, child protection or TAC)
- Children with special educational needs and/or disabilities
- Young carers
- Children in care
- Ukrainian and Afghanistan refugees

Boston Endeavour Academy will allocate the 15% of E-vouchers allocated for those that are not in receipt of benefits-related FSM on a first come first served basis.

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