COMMERCIAL BANKING

Banking for state schools and academies



By the side of business



of all academies have chosen to bank with Lloyds Bank[†]

⁺ As of 1 March 2022 around two in three of academies bank with Lloyds Bank.

Why choose Lloyds Bank for your school?

We understand education

The education landscape is constantly changing, with the drive for schools to become academies and part of multi academy trusts continuing. Lloyds Bank's education team can help you to maximise the efficiency of your school's banking.

Focus

If you are a Multi Academy Trust (MAT), or a single Academy, you will be supported by your own dedicated relationship manager.

They spend time working with schools, and as they're located all over England and Wales, you'll have one close by who understands the local issues affecting your area.

Tailored to fit your school

Our specialist School Bank Account offers free day-to-day banking* for Multi Academy Trusts, Academies, Free schools, Studio schools, UTCs and State Maintained. * Free day-to-day business banking applies if you continue to meet our eligibility criteria. This means you have to be a state funded school or academy. We apply a specialist tariff on our School Bank Account. Our specialist tariff is provided free of charge, however charges for CHAPS, International Payments, Online Channels and other service charges apply. Information on other service charges that apply can be found in the relevant charges brochure.

Switching is simple

You can make the move to Lloyds Bank with confidence that the process will be straightforward. Our dedicated transfer unit will help you through the move.

A bank account that works harder for your school

School Bank Account

Our School Bank Account has been developed specifically for MATs, Academies and maintained schools.

Our service is designed to make it easy for all schools to manage their finances efficiently, and to make the most of their money.

What you get from our School Bank Account

• Free day-to-day banking* to make the most of your resources.

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They can help to drive a range of benefits including back-office efficiency through simplified processes as well as reduced administrative burden and improved working capital.

- Internet banking service with options for multi-person authorisation. Compatible with most school software systems to provide secure import of Bacs payment files. Occasionally we may need to carry out essential maintenance, resulting in some interruption to service.
- Cash collection the cost depends on your individual school's requirements.
- No charges for returning cheques recalled by the payer's bank.

Deposit accounts

We can help you make the most of your funds by setting up deposits to suit your cashflow.

- Fixed rate deposits from overnight to three years.
- 32 and 95 day notice deposit accounts.

No withdrawals can be made during the term of a fixed rate deposit.

Saving solutions Instant Access Savings Accounts

- Earn interest on surplus cashflow, even over short periods.
- Access savings instantly as and when you need to.
- Open an account with as little as £1.

An online facility built for your needs

Internet banking

We can offer an Internet banking facility especially for your school that not only delivers maximum security, but is also easy to use. You could choose a simple, safe view-only service without monthly service fees or our Commercial Banking Online solution designed to give you multi-person authority with tailored access across small or large, single or multi site academy trusts giving you advanced features designed to make your banking secure and efficient.

Sophisticated, secure and straightforward

- Lets you view statements and manage payments online.
- Create and submit Bacs, CHAPS, Faster Payments and international transactions.
- Offers high level security through unique authentication cards and readers.
- Authorisation protocols to suit your needs.

Our Commercial Banking Online solution carries a small monthly charge but still offers you the ability to make Bacs payments free of transaction charges.



Help making a cash free school a reality

ParentPay® part of ParentPay Group

It's safer and more efficient to remove cash from schools

Managing cash for school meals, trips, uniform, donations and clubs is one of the most time-consuming administration tasks for any school finance department.

ParentPay provides schools, multi-academy trusts, caterers and local authorities with an all-in-one online payment solution, which transforms income management and financial communication to parents.

ParentPay enables over 3 million parents to make immediate payments for a range of school items via any device or via PayPoint. They're offering Lloyds Bank customers preferential rates (correct as at June 2022 but may be subject to change).

Please speak to your education relationship manager for full details.

Easy accounting

- Improve financial reconciliation.
- Reduces errors and ensures an audit trail is available.
- Improves security by removing the need for cash to be held in schools.

Centralised management

- Central settlement and reporting for Trusts.
- Single login to view all schools within a Trust.
- Annual 'health check' review of schools' usage.

Better for families

- Provide anonymity for pupils using free school meals.
- Removing cash from school helps keep children safe.
- Offers transparency, flexibility and convenience for parents.

Part of ParentPay Group

ParentPay is part of the ParentPay Group, the leading provider of specialist education software solutions in Europe. Designed specifically to help schools, caterers, multi-academy trusts and local authorities transform their payment collection, meal management, kitchen management, parental engagement and MIS.

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To find out more go to www.parentpay.com/lloyds-sb/

We can help protect your school and your reputation

Business Insurance

We've chosen to work alongside Gallagher, one of the UK's largest insurance brokers, to make sure your business is covered.

Whether you know what you want or would like some help understanding what protection you need, Gallagher can help you ensure your school has the insurance it needs.

As a broker, Gallagher search a panel of insurance providers for quotes tailored to the insurance needs of your school.

Benefit from expert insurance advice

- Receive an independent review of your school's existing insurance, ensuring peace of mind that students, teachers, governors and assets are adequately protected.
- Have a full assessment of the need for additional protection and support such as Cyber Insurance and Health & Safety products.

We need a better way to fund school vehicles

Lex Autolease

Lex Autolease is an award winning fleet specialist with proven expertise in the education sector, who can bring you a simple, cost-effective way to fund and manage your school's vehicles.

Specialist vehicle management

- Provide vehicles that are tailored to your needs and meet current safety requirements, including minibuses.
- Vehicle maintenance can be included in the monthly cost to cover routine servicing, tyres, replacement parts and repairs (including exhausts and batteries) due to fair wear and tear.

Saves money on your school budget

- VAT can be claimed back on the vehicle's funding, subject to certain restrictions.
- Fixed monthly rental payments let you manage your costs effectively.

Whether you are looking for school minibuses or a car scheme to enhance your employee benefits package, we can potentially help.

Sharing your values

A bank at the heart of our community

Through our high street brands, we're an integral part of communities across Britain. We aim to help the UK's most disadvantaged communities prosper through a number of programmes and initiatives which include:

Supporting School Leadership

We have a strong track record of supporting schools and Multi Academy Trusts through the recruitment and training of colleague school governors. We remain one of the largest single corporate providers of governors and MAT non-exec directors.

Funding grass roots charities

In 2021, we donated £25.5 million to the Group's independent charitable Foundations, covering England & Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland and the Channel Islands, enabling them to make grants to small charities across the UK.

Improving Financial Capability

Our financial education initiatives aim to equip communities with the skills and capabilities to make the most of their money and enable a number of our colleagues to directly support young people in schools.

Supporting young people's Mental Wellbeing

Launched in 2019, together with our partners Mental Health UK, our schools initiative, 'BLOOM' equips teachers and secondary school students to understand and improve their mental wellbeing and resilience as well as providing a comprehensive resource library for parents and teachers. The programme will reach over 500,000 young people across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

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>500,000 CHILDREN

will benefit from BLOOM, the bank funded mental health resilience programme for secondary school students, delivered by Mental Health UK.

Working together to support schools and academies

Our relationships



The Professional Body for School Business Leaders Supporting all school business professionals from entry through to executive leadership. www.isbl.org.uk



We support the 'Governors for Schools' charity through our volunteering programme, encouraging our staff to become school governors or Non-Executive Directors for Academy Trusts www.governorsforschools.org.uk



We work with ParentPay to help your school go totally cashless. www.parentpay.com



Lloyds Bank is proud to be working in partnership with the Confederation of School Trusts (CST) – the sector body for school trusts. www.cstuk.org.uk

Our service promise

If you experience a problem, we will always try to resolve it as quickly as possible. Please bring it to the attention of any member of staff. Our complaints procedures for businesses with an annual turnover of up to £25m are published at **lloydsbank.com/business/contactus** and for businesses with an annual turnover of £25m or more they can be found at **commercialbanking.lloydsbank.com/contact-us/**

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• Call us on 0345 072 5555

Lines are open Monday to Friday – 7am to 8pm and Saturday – 9am to 2pm except on UK bank holidays. Please contact us if you would like this information in an alternative format such as Braille, large print or audio.

If you have a hearing or speech impairment you can use Relay UK. More information on the Relay UK Service can be found at: relayuk.bt.com/

Important information

Calls may be monitored or recorded in case we need to check we have carried out your instructions correctly and to help improve our quality of service.

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Eligible deposits with us are protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).

We are covered by the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). Please note that due to FSCS and FOS eligibility criteria not all business customers will be covered.

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