SIKH ACADEMIES TRUST

Faith Inspired Education

Funding Distribution Statement 2026-27

Summary of Funding Distribution Across Sikh Academies Trust

Sikh Academies Trust comprises two schools: Khalsa Primary School and Pioneer Secondary Academy. The Trust operates a transparent funding model designed to ensure both schools receive the resources needed to deliver high-quality education whilst benefiting from effective central support services.

Each academy contributes 9% of its General Annual Grant (GAG) funding as a central trust contribution (often referred to as a top-slice). These funds are used to provide and maintain key central services across the Trust, including:

- Finance and accounting services
- Human resources support
- Governance and compliance
- Internal and external audit arrangements
- School improvement support
- Strategic leadership and trust-wide management

The Trust does not operate a pooled GAG funding model. After the deduction of the 9% central contribution, the remaining GAG funding is retained by the individual school and is managed by the school's leadership team in line with the Trust's Scheme of Delegation and Financial Regulations.

This approach enables each academy to meet its local educational priorities whilst benefiting from the economies of scale and shared expertise provided by the Trust. The Trust regularly reviews its funding arrangements to ensure resources are allocated fairly, transparently and in the best interests of all pupils across both schools.