

From: Edinburgh College Freedom of Information

Sent: 05 October 2018 15:28

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: FOI Dyslexia Tests/Costs

Dear [REDACTED]

Our Ref: 044/18

As of 1 October 2012, Edinburgh's Telford College, Jewel & Esk College and Stevenson College merged to create a single college called Edinburgh College.

We refer to your request for information dated 07 September 2018. The College has considered your request as a request for information under section 1 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("FOISA"):

044/18: 1 Does the institution offer screening tests for students who think they may have dyslexia?
Yes

044/18: 2 How many students have had a screening test over the past 3 years broken down by year?

The college does not collect these figures and we are unable to provide this information.

044/18: 3 How many students have been referred for formal assessment following a screening test over the last 3 years broken down by year?

Academic Year	No of students
2017/18	189
2016/17	145
2015/16	144

044/18: 4 Would this test incur a cost for the student? No

044/18: 5 If yes, how much would this cost? N/A

044/18: 6 Would a matriculated student (with no previous dyslexia diagnosis) be able to undergo a full diagnostic assessment at the HEI? Yes

044/18: 7 How many students have had full diagnostic test over the past 3 years broken down by year?

Academic Year	No of students
2017/18	189
2016/17	145
2015/16	144

044/18: 8 Would this assessment incur a cost for the student? No

044/18: 9 If yes, how much would this cost? N/A

044/18: 10 How would a newly matriculated student, who has had a diagnosis of dyslexia prior to attending [college/university] access support at [insert FEI]?

There is a team of Learning Support Advisers at each of Edinburgh College's campuses. The Advisers are available over the summer and we encourage all new students who have additional needs to access the service prior to the start of the session so that support needs can be assessed and support put in place. We offer appointments and drop-ins over the summer and throughout the session. Depending on the date of the previous diagnosis, the student may be referred for an updated assessment.

044/18: 11 Would any additional tests be required for the student before they can receive support? If a student is on an HE level programme and applying for the Disabled Students Allowance from SAAS they may be referred to the Access Centre for assessment.

044/18: 12 Would additional assessments incur a cost for the student? No

044/18: 13 If yes, how much would this cost? N/A

Edinburgh College is subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act (FOISA) 2002. If you are dissatisfied with this response, you may ask the college to review this decision. To do this, please contact the Head of Corporate Development at the postal address below or e-mail the Head of Corporate Development at governance@edinburghcollege.ac.uk describing your original request and explaining your grounds for dissatisfaction. (Please include in your review request, your name and home address for correspondence).

You have 40 working days from receipt of this letter to submit a review request to:

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www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

The online appeal service is available 24/7 and offers you real time help and advice about your appeal.

You must appeal to the Commissioner within six months of receiving the review decision.

You also have the right to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law following a decision of the Commissioner.

Regards

FOI Team

