



## How do we apply?

Visit [www.makingadigitaldifference.co.uk](http://www.makingadigitaldifference.co.uk) and download the application form. Please complete and return the form to [info@dataspire.co.uk](mailto:info@dataspire.co.uk). One of our Account Managers will contact you to arrange a follow-up and discuss your application further.

## How will the funds be paid?

There is a reserve of £3,000,000 to be shared with schools and academies across the country. Once we have reviewed your application, you will be contacted to discuss how funds have been allocated and how we can help you make a digital difference.

## How is MADD Funded?

Through a collaborative partnership between a network of technology suppliers and education consultants - all equally committed to driving real change within education - the fund has been created via contributions to an initial pot of £3,000,000.

## Who can apply for MADD funding?

Applications from Schools and Multi-Academy Trusts based in England with a URN number will be accepted. This fund is available to Primary, Secondary and Further Education establishments.

## How much funding can I apply for?

There is no limit to the funding you may receive, but each application and its outcomes will vary depending on size and what is left in the pot. The bigger the transformation, the bigger the funding and the sooner we receive your application, the sooner you can receive funding toward your whole-school improvement.

## How does this meet procurement framework rules?

The MADD fund is powered by Dataspire Solutions, who is part of a DfE Compliant Procurement Framework. This means that we have already been through a full competitive tender process and been evaluated against criteria including cost, quality and service, allowing education establishments to buy direct, without having to get three quotes or go out to tender.

## Can we discuss my application prior to submission?

Yes, of course. Our team will be happy to discuss your application and explain how the fund works. Simply email [info@dataspire.co.uk](mailto:info@dataspire.co.uk) to arrange a call.



## What happens after I submit my application?

Across 4 steps, we will work with you to access funding and design, develop and implement your digital transformation programme.

### Step 1:

You apply for funding and begin the journey to Making a Digital Difference.

### Step 2:

Dataspire reviews your application to identify and present how much MADD funding you can access.

### Step 3:

Dataspire reveals how your school can make a digital difference, presenting a scope of work and a professional development plan to improve outcomes.

### Step 4:

Together, we create a collective partnership, funding is allocated, and the expedition begins, heading towards whole-school transformation.

## Can we submit more than one application?

Yes, you can! We want to help reduce costs in education so as long as there is money in the pot and you want to drive real change with technology, we'll be happy to help.

## When will I find out the outcome of my application?

An internal panel will review applications based on the **SHERPA principles** outlined in the application process. Successful applicants will be notified within 10 working days of application.

## Do we have to pay anything back?

No. Our aim is to create ICT confidence in education, so we are doing this to support schools and reduce the costs of improving outcomes with technology.

## Will I receive feedback on my application if it is not successful?

Please be advised that we can only provide brief feedback on unsuccessful applications.

## If my application is unsuccessful, can I reapply at a later date?

Yes, you can! We want to help reduce costs in education so as long as there is money in the pot and you want to drive real change with technology, we'll be happy to help.

## What will you do with the data submitted in the application?

We are collecting this data in order to provide you with the best possible service. As a Dataspire Service User, we have a legitimate interest in providing you with information that will keep you informed, keep you safe and help you to succeed.

We take care of the information that you provide and will not share this information with any third parties other than where specifically requested and consented.

For more information on how we collect and use your data click [here](#).

**For all other enquires, please contact us at [info@dataspire.co.uk](mailto:info@dataspire.co.uk)**