

Defend Lifelong Learning. Defend the future of FE.

The government's' policy 'Qualified for Life' acknowledges on its front page that it only cover the ages 3-19. A consequence of that policy is that the funding is now starting to change.

Whilst the school sector and HE have been protected, the FE sector is facing cuts which will have a major impact on courses it will be able to offer. All colleges across Wales have received a 2.6% efficiency cut across all courses; however, funding for part-time courses has been cut by 50%.

This is the response from government when questioned about the cuts by Plaid Cymru:

'Ministers and senior officials have met with several principals following the announcement of the 2015/16 allocations.

The reductions in funding announced are challenging for all in the post-16 sector, but each of the principals we have met recognises the importance of working closely with Welsh Government to minimise any impacts.' Julie James (Deputy Minister for Skills and Technology)

Union members should not face losing their jobs or cuts in their pay and conditions so that colleges can continue to provide courses that are no longer being funded.



Diogelwch Addysgu Gydol Oes. Dyfodol Addysg Bellach.

Mae polisi'r Llywodraeth 'Cymwys am Oes' yn cydnabod ar dudalen flaen y ddogfen fod y polisi ond yn ymdrin â rhai o 3 i 19 mlwydd oed. O ganlyniad i'r datganiad hwn mae cyllido addysg yn dechrau newid.

Tra bod ysgolion ac Addysg Uwch wedi'u diogelu, mae'r sector Addysg Bellach yn wynebu toriadau fydd o ganlyniad yn cael effaith andwyol ar y cyrsiau byddant yn medru eu cynnig. Mae pob coleg ar draws Cymru wedi derbyn toriad effeithlonrwydd o 2.6% ar draws pob cwrs; ond, mae cyllido ar gyfer cyrsiau rhan-amser wedi derbyn toriad o 50%.

Dyma ymateb y Llywodraeth pan y bu iddynt gael eu cwestiynu gan Blaid Cymru:

'Mae Gweinidogion a swyddogion uwch wedi cyfarfod â nifer o benaethiaid yn dilyn y cyhoeddiad am ddyraniadau 2015/16.

Mae'r lleihad mewn cyllid yn mynd i fod yn heriol i bawb yn y sector ôl-16, ond mae'r Penaethiaid a'm cyfarfu yn cydnabod y pwysigrwydd o gydwethio'n agos gyda Llywodraeth Cymru er mwyn lleihau'r effaith cymaint ag y gellir.' Julie James (Dirprwy Weinidog dros Sgiliau a Thechnoleg)

Ni ddylai aelodau undeb fod yn wynebu colli eu swyddi neu dderbyn toriadau i'w tâl ac amodau fel colegau yn gallu parhau i ddarparu cyrsiau nad ydynt yn cael eu cyllido bellach.

