



Post 16 options



Year 10 – Work Experience

Post 16 Options



If you live in England, you have to stay in education or training until the age of 18



There are lots of options available to you so its important to understand what is the best route for you by exploring all the possibilities

The benefits of studying post 16



- ✓ Gaining more qualifications after 16 is a good idea as more qualifications mean more job choices.
- ✓ You are, therefore, more likely to find a job you enjoy rather than taking the risk of having to do unskilled work.
- ✓ Better qualifications will give you a chance to earn more money – and, as research shows, have greater job satisfaction.



What are the options ?



Option 1 : Stay in full-time education – A levels, BTEC, T levels, vocational and technical qualifications, exam retakes

Or



Option 2: Combine work with study – Apprenticeship, traineeship, supported internships

Or



Option 3: Spend 20 hours or more a week working or volunteering while also doing part-time education or training

Understanding your next steps



The Parents' Guide to
www.theparentsguideto.co.uk

Level	Qualification / educational route				
8	Doctorate (PhD)		NVQ 8		
7	Masters degree (MA)		Degree apprenticeship / NVQ 5, 6, 7		
6	Bachelors degree BA or BSc				
5	Foundation degree FdA or FdSc	Higher National Diploma (HND)	Higher apprenticeship / NVQ 4		
4		Higher National Certificate (HNC)			
3	A levels Grades A-E	International Baccalaureate	T Levels	BTEC diploma BTEC certificate	Advanced apprenticeship / NVQ 3
2	GCSE Grades 4- 9 (C, B, A or A*)			BTEC first diploma	Intermediate apprenticeship / NVQ 2
1	GCSE Grades 1- 3 (D,E,F or G)			Foundation diploma / entry level qualifications	Traineeship / NVQ 1
	Academic route		Vocational route	Applied / work route	

Option 1: Staying in FTE: A-Levels



You can carry on studying subjects you took for GCSE to a higher level or pick new ones you may not have done before like economics, law or psychology



You can take 3 very different subjects you are interested in - keep your career options open or choose more closely related subjects if you need them for a specific career

Duration	2 years
Level of Study	3
Entry requirements	Typically, Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and Maths
Assessment	Mostly exams at the end of the course
Grades Awarded	A* - E
Leads to	University or college courses, higher and degree apprenticeships

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Option 1: Staying in FTE: BTECs



At Level 3 Applied general qualifications are better known as **BTECs** and are equivalent to A levels,

Gives you a broad overview of working in a specific sector, like business, media, engineering, leisure or science and technology

A mix of classroom-based learning with the chance to get some practical skills

Can take a mixture of A levels and BTECs (single award BTEC is equivalent to an A level) or some BTECs are double

Duration	2 years
Level of Study	3
Entry requirements	Typically, Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and Maths
Assessment	Typically, a mix of coursework and exams
Grades Awarded	Points Awarded
Leads to	University/college, apprenticeship, work

<https://youtu.be/L7TYTSIG8JU>

Option 1: Staying in FTE: T-Levels



Designed in partnership with employers to give you the skills and knowledge to get on in the workplace. You'll combine classroom learning with real work placements. 1 T Level is the equivalent of 3 A levels



You'll spend 80% of your time in the classroom and 20% at work (At least 45 days on industry placement equivalent to 315 hours)

Duration	2 years
Level of Study	3
Entry requirements	Typically, Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and Maths
Assessment	Exams, projects and practical assignments
Grades Awarded	Points Awarded
Leads to	Work, higher and degree apprenticeships, college and university courses

Option 1: Staying in FTE: Vocational & Technical Qualifications



These courses teach you the practical skills and knowledge for a particular area of employment. They can prepare you for a broad employment sector, like engineering or travel and tourism, or for a specific job like a chef or a hairdresser.



You'll learn in real situations in college, for example in a college restaurant or a salon that is open to the public. You may also have the chance to go out on a work placement with an employer.

Duration	1 or more years
Level of Study	Level 1 & 2 take 1 year each, L3 takes 2 years
Entry requirements	Course dependent
Assessment	Can include coursework, skills tests and exams
Awarded	City and Guilds; National Vocational Qualifications (NVQs)
Leads to	Further study, training, professional development programmes or work

Option 1: Staying in FTE: Exam Retakes



If you didn't get the results you wanted, you can resit some of your courses or sign up for some new qualifications



retake English and Maths GCSEs whilst also studying other level 2 subjects for example, criminology or Law that can then lead you onto a level 3 course

Duration	1 year
Level of Study	2
Entry requirements	16+
Assessment	Exams but some level 2 courses offer coursework elements too
Awarded	Level 2 qualifications = GCSE
Leads to	Higher level or degree apprenticeship, further education, higher education, work

Option 2: Combine Work & Study



Gain practical skills, get work experience and a qualification that employers need through the following :

Apprenticeship, Traineeship, Supported internship



Option 2: Combine Work & Study – Apprenticeship



Apprenticeships combine practical on-the-job skills training with off-the-job learning. You'll get training that is relevant to your job and be paid a salary



You'll spend 80% of your time in the workplace and 20% off-the-job with some study in a college, training centre or Institute of Technology (IoT)

Apprenticeships are real jobs which include learning elements

Duration	A minimum of 1 year but progress to a degree apprenticeship
Level of Study	L2 – GCSE L3 – A level L4,5,6,7 – Foundation level Degree, L6 & 7 Master's degree
Entry requirements	Will be dependent on the industry, job role and apprenticeship level
Assessment	Most apprenticeships work towards one or more qualifications. These qualifications correspond to the level of apprenticeship
Grades Awarded	Dependent on the type of qualification taken
Leads to	Work, next level of apprenticeship, further education, higher education

<https://vimeo.com/613415806>

Option 2: Combine Work & Study – Traineeships



You'll spend a minimum of 70 hours in a work placement with the rest of your time in college or a training centre



You can take a course that includes a work placement that will get you ready for an apprenticeship or a job

Duration	Up to 1 year
Level of Study	Level 1-2
Entry requirements	You need to be aged between 16 to 24 or up to 25 with an <u>Education Health and Care Plan</u> with no higher than a <u>level 3 qualification</u>
Assessment	Dependent on the qualification taken
Grades Awarded	English, maths foundation or GCSE , digital and work-related qualifications
Leads to	Apprenticeship, further education, work

Traineeships are unpaid. However, some colleges and employers pay a training allowance or may cover other costs such as travel or lunch during the work placement. You might also qualify for financial support, including the 16-19 Bursary Fund

Option 2: Combine Work & Study – Supported Internships



For young people who need extra support to get a job



You'll spend most of your time on placements with an employer, learning skills for work. You'll also get help from a tutor and a job coach in college or with a specialist provider

unpaid work placement of at least 6 months support from a qualified job coach. You may be eligible for Access to work Funding

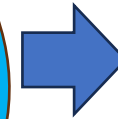
Duration	A minimum of 6 months
Level of Study	Level 2
Entry requirements	Aged 16-24 with an <u>Education Health and Care Plan</u>
Assessment	Dependent on course
Grades Awarded	GCSE English and maths
Leads to	Work, traineeship, apprenticeship

Option 3: Work & Training



Part-time education or training if you are employed or self-employed for 20 hours or more a week

Part-time education or training plus volunteering for 20 hours or more a week



If you chose this route you would need to be sure that it:
meet your needs, both now and in the future,
give you opportunities for future employment,
ensure you have options for further training later.

If you do choose the work/voluntary work route, this will involve you working towards a nationally recognised qualification as well as being employed, self-employed or volunteering for 20 hours or more a week





Open Events – 2023



College/Sixth Form	Open evenings	Website
Barton Peveril Sixth Form College	4 th & 5 th of October 2023 from 4.30-8.30PM	https://barton-peveril.ac.uk/join-us/open-events/
Peter Symonds College	3 rd & 4 th of October 2023 5.30pm- 8.30 PM	https://www.psc.ac.uk/applying/timeline/2024
Eastleigh College	26 th September, 11 th of October and 9 th of November 2023 4.30PM onwards 16 th November 2023 from 5.30PM for supported learning.	https://www.eastleigh.ac.uk/about/events/?month=10&year=2023
Richard Taunton Sixth Form College	28 th of September 2023 & 16 th of November from 6PM-8.30PM	https://www.richardtaunton.ac.uk/event/open-evening-september-22/
Itchen	Open evening Thursday 12 October 2023 Open morning Saturday 14 October 2023	https://www.itchen.ac.uk/about/term-dates-and-holidays/
Sparsholt College	Open Day Saturday 12 th November 2023	https://www.sparsholt.ac.uk/events/
Southampton City College	Open evening 12 th October 5pm-7pm Open morning 18 th of November 10am-12pm	https://www.southampton-city.ac.uk/events/open-event-oct/
Fareham College	Open evening 4 th October 2023 and 14 th of November 2023 from 4pm-7.30pm	https://www.fareham.ac.uk/open-events/
Totton	Open evenings 10 th of October and 10 th of November 2023 from 5.30-7.30PM	https://www.totton.ac.uk/events/

Thinking about the next steps –help for pupils



- ❖ Start exploring information about careers, jobs and courses
- ❖ If they know the career they want to do, make sure the next steps allow them to get there, for example you need to continue to study Maths if you want to do Engineering.
- ❖ Think about learning styles, enjoy studying in a classroom and you are ok about exams then A levels might be the right choice, or if you more hands on, practical based learning explore vocational course like T levels and BTECs.
- ❖ 'stay broad' and do a broad range of subjects if they are unsure so they can decide later!
- ❖ Go to open events, talk to teachers, careers leader, parents & friends



Offers free , impartial advice
Call 0800 100 900 to speak to an adviser.

Websites that can help with post 16 choices



<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/explore-your-education-and-training-choices>



<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/discover-your-skills-and-careers/>



<https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/>



<https://careermap.co.uk/careerometer/>

[Everything you need to know about your child's choices at 16 years old | The Parents' Guide \(theparentsguideto.co.uk\)](https://www.theparentsguideto.co.uk/post-16-options)



Work Experience week



Monday 1st July – Friday 5th July 2024



The benefits of Work Experience



- Experience of the workplace
- Team working & communication
- Meeting deadlines
- Gain valuable experience to add to your CV
- Time management
- Build on employability skills
- Building confidence



Work Experience - School



In school we will focus on:

- Getting pupils to research local WEX opportunities
- Writing a CV which they can send off to Employers
- Springpod talk on virtual WEX



Work Experience - How parents can help?



- Can you or a family member provide work experience?
- Look for WEX possibilities in your local area
- Plan ahead - schools in our area often have the same week!
- Encourage your child to come and speak to me if they are struggling to find a placement.
- Ensure you are happy with the Insurance the company has in place

Work Experience - School



Parents/carers will receive an online form from school to complete :

- Details of the work placement
- Parents/carer consent



Work Experience - School



- We shall also check Employer Public Liability prior to WEX
- We shall collate all information regarding pupil's work experience
- We shall arrange visits/phone calls during the placements



Work Experience - Pupils



- Will complete a work experience journal
- Reflect on what new skills they have learnt during their PSHCE lessons



Work Experience



- Deadline for WEX placements is 29th March 2024



Any Questions ?



Up coming Events

Careers Fair 17th of
October 2023

College open events –
dates published in
schools newsletter

Information talk on
Apprenticeships & T
levels on the 10th of
October from 5.30pm-
6.30pm

Careers Leader – Mrs Shaw