

16 – 18 EDUCATION AND THE LAW

In 2013, the participation age was raised so young people were required to stay in some form of

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WORK EXPERIENCE

education or training until at least their 18th birthday.

- Sixth Form A Levels
- College A Levels, BTEC, T Levels and Vocational Courses
- Apprenticeships
- Training Provider (Traineeships)
- UTC (University Technical College)
- Armed Forces
- Job The employer must provide accredited training until the young person is 18 years of age.

NEW CAREERS GUIDANCE (2018)

New statutory guidance for schools & colleges all based around Gatsby Benchmarks.

- I. A stable careers programme
- 2. Learning from career and labour market information (LMI)
- 3. Addressing the needs of each pupil
- 4. Linking the curriculum learning to careers
- 5. Encounters with employers and employees
- 6. Experiences of workplaces
- 7. Encounters with further and higher education
- 8. Personal guidance



CAREERS OVERVIEW

Year 10

- Assemblies
- Work Experience & Preparation
- I:I Careers Personal Guidance Meeting
- CV, Personal Statements & Finance
- Employer Visits
- College/ University visits

Year II

- Post 16 Advice & Guidance
- Post 16 Evening Colleges, Sixth forms, Training providers, UTC's, Universities & Employers
- Assemblies
- Sixth Form, College & Apprenticeship application support
- Apprenticeships Workshops & Employer engagement



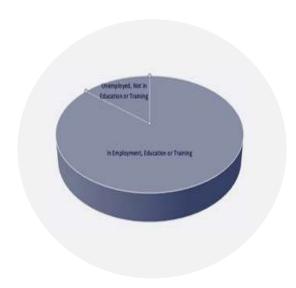
WHY IS WORK EXPERIENCE IMPORTANT?



- Your child can get a chance see if this is the career path for them or if it is definitely not for them. They gain an invaluable experience of the world of work.
- Employability Skills (Transferable Skills)
- Increases awareness of acceptable work place behaviour & etiquette.

- CV favourable addition to their CV.
- Increases confidence and independence.
- Some students have been offered a Saturday job after completing their WEX, some have even been offered full time work or an apprenticeship!

YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE 4 OR MORE ENCOUNTERS WITH AN EMPLOYER:







ARE 86% MORE LIKELY TO BE EMPLOYED OR IN EDUCATION/TRAINING.

CAN EARN UPTO 18% MORE DURING THEIR CAREER.

WORK EXPERIENCE IS A CHANCE TO START LEARNING VITAL SKILLS THAT THEY WILL NEED (COMBINED WITH GOOD GRADES) TO INCREASE EMPLOYABILITY.

MAJOR COMPANIES IN OUR LOCAL AREA

Sedgley/Dudley

Company name	Sector
NHS	Health (numerous sectors)
Beacon Centre For The Blind	Education, Health
Asda/Tesco/Sainsbury's/Aldi/Lidl	Wholesale & retail trade
Moog	Transport Technologies
UTC Aerospace	Transport Technologies
Marston's	Hospitality, Admin, HR
Merry Hill	Retail trade
A & A Walters	Funeral Directors
Boss Design	Advanced Manufacturing
Thomas Dudley	Engineering
Wembley Arch – Angle Ring	Building Technologies



HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD...

Go through the WEX pack with them. It has advice and guidance to help them find their own placement.

If you do have contacts for a placement please still ask your child to write/telephone to apply for the placement themselves.

We may have some placements available for certain fields i.e. Armed Forces, Police, Primary Schools, Health.

Please ask your child to see Mrs Evans/ Mrs Dawes in D2 for more information.



COSTS FOR **SOME** PLACEMENTS...

Health & Safety checks are undertaken for all placements and are completed by the Local Authority on our behalf, placements within the following areas are free of charge:-

- Dudley
- Wolverhampton
- Staffordshire
- Shropshire

Please note all other areas will incur charges as they will be carried out by external agencies. The charges are as follows:-

- Birmingham / Solihull- £60
- Sandwell £25
- Coventry / Warwickshire £75
- Walsall £35
- Worcestershire £30

Contact Mrs Evans to check if an out of borough visit is possible for areas not listed above.

WHEN YOU FIND A PLACEMENT...

GET THE WORK EXPERIENCE PLACEMENT OFFER FORM FILLED IN BY THE EMPLOYER



RETURN IT TO SCHOOL



No later than Tuesday I November 2022



Don't leave it till the last minute as you may miss out on a fantastic opportunity!

WANT MORE INFORMATION OR HELP...?

Please contact

Mrs Dawes or Mrs Evans

