



TO CARE  
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**BEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL**  
A Specialist Business and Enterprise College  
with Applied Learning  
Headteacher: Mr P McCaffery

Our ref: JMA/PB

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Dear Potential Business Partner

**YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK 18<sup>TH</sup>-22<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2022**

We are looking for support from local businesses to Bedford High School to provide work experience opportunities for Year 10 students during our Work Experience Week 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022. We are using Changing Education, an external company and they have a wealth of experience in providing safe work experience placements. No paperwork needs to be completed by you, all insurance checks and risk assessments will be carried out by Changing Education. Employer work experience is covered by Employer Liability Insurance but if you only have Public Liability Insurance and Changing Education deem the work experience placement to be a safe work experience, Changing Education will arrange for parents/guardians to sign a disclaimer to that effect.

A work experience placement aims to give young people a taste of 'The World of Work', so that they may begin to appreciate the demands which will be made upon them when they enter employment after they have completed their education. Research shows that students who engage with employers are 83% less likely to be unemployed. We appreciate that this is still a difficult time due to Covid but this is the reason it is even more important our students get opportunities such as this.

Our Business Partnership Programme provides additional opportunities for students, including Mock Interviews, Careers Workshops etc.

Please find the link to our latest videos which explains our careers strategy:

Careers at Bedford High School <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MbWkSXUCyXI>

Bedford Business Partnerships <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3FuJbyAcTtU>

Bedford Alumni <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xLG9dcp89Rc>

Careers Fair [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qu4FSq\\_3qvk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qu4FSq_3qvk)

If you could be a Bedford Business Partner and help us to raise the aspirations of young people locally and inspire the next generation, contact Mrs Birchall, our Community & Work Related Learning Co-ordinator - Email: [careers@bedford.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:careers@bedford.wigan.sch.uk), tel: 01942 909009.

Yours sincerely

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