



TO CARE
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20th September 2022

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

Dear Year 11 Parents/Guardians

CAREERS AT BEDFORD

This is the first of many communications you will receive from the careers team this important year to help you to support your child to make informed choices as they prepare to leave Bedford. Please also be aware that we have dedicated Careers pages on our School Website under the Curriculum Tab <https://bedfordhighschool.co.uk/careers/> and also on Frog Parent and Student Portal. Information will be updated in these areas on a regular basis.

Joe Markland, our School Careers Adviser from Wigan Aspiring Futures is in school every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and will start 1:1 careers interviews with our year 11 students this week. You will be posted home the action plan from your child's meeting. Take a look at Joe's Post-16 Options Video on the Careers page or click on the link to the video on our You Tube page <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FoGIZ-kiJlg>. College prospectuses will be available from the careers office or within the careers section in the school library. There is a careers board outside of the careers Office and careers displays around the school site. Students can speak to me or other members of the school careers team (Mrs Madden, Mr Dean and Mrs Birchall) at any time. During PDE lessons in term 1 students will be applying to two colleges and later in term 2 some may consider applying for apprenticeships. Students will also have careers assemblies in a range of topics including presentations from colleges, apprenticeships and ex Bedford students. We are strongly advising all students to go and visit the college open events. Please support your child with these visits. A document of all the college open events is within this pack.

We will do everything we can this year to ensure your child can make informed choices when they leave Bedford. We do hope that you will support us and we attach some information as below:

- Bedford Careers Journey from Y7 to Y11
- CEIAG Staff
- The Parents' Guide to What's Next
- College Open Events 2022/23
- Labour Market Information

Please follow us on social media as we will share any careers information we receive and, in the meantime, please see two employer events below:

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Date	Details
Thurs 29 Sept	<p>Careers in Business & Accountancy Evening by Young Professionals £14.00 but subsidy for free school meals students Arrivals from 5:00pm with a 5:30pm start until 7:30pm</p> <p>Venue: Britannia Hotel Manchester - Portland St, Manchester M1 3LA Employers: PwC, Mazars, Grant Thornton & KPMG Lots of workshops and networking opportunities (deep dive into Audit, Tax, Consulting & Business Advisory) Something fantastic to put on your CV with a Certificate of Attendance Snacks and light refreshments to be provided</p> <p>Purchase your ticket here: https://young-professionals.uk/events/young-professionals-conference---manchester---thursday-th-of-september/62fb4f53aa44336bcb37a244</p>
Wed 19 Oct	<p>Army Careers Presentation 7pm, Nelson Street, Bolton BL3 2RW Booking essential Tel: 01204 364111</p>

The careers team are here to support you and your child and you can email us at any time - careers@bedford.wigan.sch.uk

We would also appreciate your feedback about Careers at Bedford. If you have not already completed the survey, please take a few minutes to complete this by clicking on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/r/geBBvn4QiT>

Yours sincerely

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