

Knowsley Community College School Liaison Services







WELCOME

Knowsley Community College's School Liaison Team work in collaboration with schools, colleges and education advisory services across the Northwest. We promote choice and opportunities to young people, as they begin to explore their options and make that all important decision about their future upon leaving school.

With this, we aim to help you inform and support the aspirations of your students, ensuring that they are making the right choices to achieve their career goals. Knowsley Community College's provision is diverse - we offer a wide range of Vocational/BTEC courses and Apprenticeships.

Throughout this booklet, you will find a range of bespoke, engaging activities, events and services, that can be tailored to meet your requirements, from VIP tours, industry experience sessions and careers events to mock interview workshops and assembly presentations.

We welcome the opportunity to talk to you about your own specific requirements.



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WHAT WE OFFER

Knowsley Community College can work with schools to help develop a bespoke careers programme. We already offer various services that schools can access in order to hit the required Gatsby Benchmarks. Assemblies can also be delivered virtually via Microsoft Teams/Zoom.

Gatsby Benchmarks for school

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

School Liaison Services	Benchmarks Met
Unifrog Workshops Unifrog is an online tool, designed to help students make an informed choice about their future. It provides the most current local information on salaries, employment and associated education and training. Students will: • Identify what strengths and key skills they have • Identify career options and conduct research • Build a career action plan that maps out the steps needed to achieve their goals • Tackle gender stereotyping with profiles of women in STEM and men in childcare, teaching and nursing roles.	2/4/5
Successful Student Alumni We can provide profiles of previous students from your school, who have progressed to Knowsley Community College and/or University Centre St Helens, for you to display in careers areas, showcasing their success and aspirations for the future. We can also arrange for the students to talk to your current students about their experience and transition from school to college, including the importance of gaining English and maths at GCSE level.	3/4/5/7



Healthcare Sciences Skills Show Our Healthcare Sciences Skills Show takes place each year during British Science Week. It is a fantastic opportunity for students to gain first-hand insight from employers (including spotlight speakers), colleges and universities. This event highlights how science and technology is vital in modern patient care and the unlimited career opportunities available within such an exciting sector. Your students will have the opportunity to make dental mould impressions, view a live heart dissection and explore how the respiratory system works. Schools are welcome to take photographs of their own students taking part in various activities and speaking to the exhibitors. We can also provide schools with a certificate of attendance. University Centre St Helens Taster Day This event provides a fantastic opportunity for your students to become inspired and passionate about studying at a higher level. As part of the day, students will attend a range of interactive discovery sessions in subjects of interest, as well as sessions on	4/5/7
academic writing and personal statement development. Knowsley Community College Assembly Presentations	5/7/8
We can deliver tailored presentations, covering a variety of topics such as: • The value of apprenticeships • The practical ways of working with vocational courses • University Centre St Helens • Dedicated student support • Outstanding facilities and student experience	

School Event Support

The School Liaison Team are happy to attend school events such as Careers Fairs, Options Evenings and Parents Evenings to provide information, advice and guidance to students and/or parents about the range of opportunities available to them after leaving school. This includes industry growth updates, course options and career pathways.

Taster Sessions

Taster sessions are designed to inspire and inform students about the exciting opportunities available to them at College, with interactive and practical sessions across all curriculum areas and a tour of our facilities. Sessions can be customised to meet individual school requirements.

Apprenticeship Ready Workshops

Competition for apprenticeships is fierce, which is why we can deliver Apprenticeship Ready Workshops to your students at school or at Knowsley Community College. We can provide information about apprenticeships across a wide range of industries, help them to create profiles on NAS and conduct vacancy searches. We also offer confidence building and self-promotion techniques to help students to create an impressive CV and deliver an outstanding interview.

Application/Interview Booking Workshops

To help with the process of submitting an application to Knowsley Community College, the School Liaison Team are happy to deliver application and interview booking workshops during lunchtime, after school or at whatever time suits you.

Mock Interview Workshops

We understand that attending an interview can be a nerveracking experience for young people, especially if they are unsure of what to expect. We can arrange informative and realistic mock interviews aimed at helping them to feel confident and prepared for the real thing.

Access to an Independent Careers Adviser (Margaret Bentley)

Our independent and impartial Careers Adviser can provide advice and guidance to help students make an informed decision about their education and career. The Careers Adviser can also provide support with CV writing and mock interview sessions. 5/7/8



YOUR JOURNEY STARTS HERE

Our studenats often say to us that they found an Open Event incredibly helpful. So take their advice and join us at one of our Open Events.

Interact with our tutors, and discover more about our impressive courses, student life and facilities.

WEDNESDAY 6 TH OCTOBER 2021	5PM-7PM
WEDNESDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2021	5PM-7PM
WEDNESDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2022	5PM-7PM
WEDNESDAY 22 ND JUNE 2022	5PM-7PM

Please visit www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/openevents for further details



"I have worked closely with the School Liaison Team at Knowsley Community College for several years. I cannot praise them enough for all the help and support they have provided to ensure that the students have all the relevant information they need for a smooth transition into post-16 learning.

The team works above and beyond what is expected of them. They provide on-site visits for potential students, attend school careers fairs/events, arrange bespoke one-to-one appointments for students with additional needs and in short, will do whatever they can to help young people find the right place/course for them. Thank you for all the past, present and future support."

Lil AllanCareer Connect Adviser

"Halewood Academy works closely with Lynda to provide information, advice and guidance for all of our students. Lynda will support the academy in any way she can to ensure that all students' needs are met, whether it be attending Careers Events, PSHE Lessons or assemblies.

Lynda will arrange bespoke taster sessions to give the students a chance to see a day in the life of a college student, as well as sampling courses to see if it is the right pathway for them. This has provided invaluable help for our students' post-16 transitions, to enable them to make informed decisions about their future."

Lesley MacCallum Careers Coordinator Halewood Academy

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