

COLLEGE OPEN DAYS



FOR YEAR 11 SCHOOL LEAVERS 2022/23

YEAR 11 - WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

As a Year 11 school leaver you must remain in some form of **education** or **training** until your 18th birthday. Your options are:

- stay in full-time education; Post 16 study at college/ sixth form college or sixth form
- start an apprenticeship or traineeship
- spend 20 hours or more a week working or volunteering, while in part-time education or training

Type of Post 16 study at colleges

A levels (short for Advanced levels) are post Year 11 qualifications for study between the ages of 16 and 18. Students usually choose to study three or four subjects in Years 12 and 13 either at College or Sixth Form. A levels are assessed by written examinations. A levels are a route on to higher education or direct employment or a Higher/Degree apprenticeship.

Vocational/BTEC T-level courses focuses more on practical assessments through coursework and practical activity, rather than assessments through examinations (however some courses will also have a written examination element). The 'Vocational' part of the name refers to the fact that this type of course prepares students for a job role within a specific industry/sector.

Like A Levels, level 3 vocational courses (BTEC and T-level) are a route on to higher education and can be a good alternative to A-levels if you are more focused on one subject of study and like coursework and practical work as part of your assessments; most university courses accept a Level 3 qualification such as a BTEC or a T-level as entry onto their courses (the exceptions are Medicine, Veterinary and Dentistry). It is advised to do research into this further if you are not sure prior to applying for your chosen study route.

How do I choose the right course for me?

If you find yourself feeling uncertain of your course pathway, here are some hints and tips that can help you to think about it more broadly:

-Assess yourself- Who are you right now? Where are you currently at?

-Think about yourself, what are you good at? What do you enjoy? What are your hobbies/ what do you do in your spare time? This can help you to figure out a subject/ industry area to help match your skills and interests. There are plenty of job-matching quizzes available online to help with this.

-What subjects do you enjoy/ are your strongest at school? Thinking about this can help you to explore job roles in these subject areas and where they can lead which may spark an interest in an area you wish to enter and go on to study at college. Also, thinking about your favorite subject could help you to study something that you enjoy, it doesn't matter that you are not sure what you want to do, studying many subjects at college can lead to many different interesting future pathways and so therefore, sometimes people just to study a subject they simply love and enjoy to start off with.

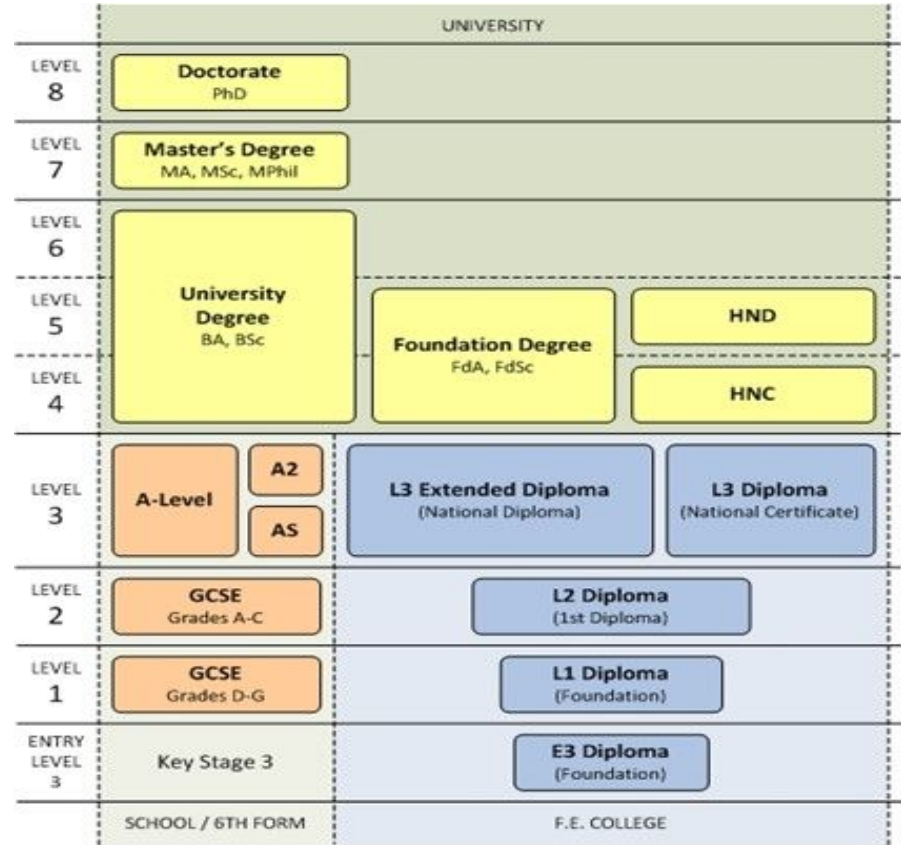
-Have you researched job roles within your course industry if you have a desired area and looked into where it can take you? Duties and responsibilities and entry routes of what you will need to study this at college?

-What type of activities do you enjoy- words, numbers, visual, practical, performance?

-Do you prefer study/lectures that are focused on exam based skills and outcomes, are you happier with predominantly coursework based assessment? Or, are you wanting something more work-based with study alongside?

Different courses have different levels...

Depending on your GCSE grades/chosen pathway of study, you will be able to study at a certain level (ranging from entry level to level 3). It is your responsibility to look at course levels and their entry requirements, to see which course level is most applicable for you to apply for, dependent on your GCSE results/course and chosen college. Each college's entry requirements may differ for their course levels and this is something to look at and take into consideration as well. Some college courses may start you on a lower level due to being a trade, such as: Construction, Motor Vehicle, Hair and Beauty and Hospitality. You can receive help with deciding on course level if you are uncertain from the Careers Team at Tadcaster Grammar School. Click the link to look up and gain an understanding of different course levels available at college from the government website: [Different levels of qualification](#)



Where can my qualifications at college take me?

If you study a full two year Level 3 level qualification at college, that carries Tariff points (A-levels, some BTEC and Technical Extended Diplomas/ Certificates and T-Levels) you can progress on to HE Study such as: HNC, HND, Foundation Degree, Degree, Higher and Degree Apprenticeships. You can also enter full-time employment.

Some Level 3 industry based subjects can lead straight to full-time employment or, Higher apprenticeships/ further study.

If you study a Level 2 qualification at college, you can progress on to the Level 3 and then on towards a Higher and Degree Apprenticeships/ Further Study at University/College or enter full-time employment or a Level 3 apprenticeship.

If you study below Level 2 when you enter college, that may mean that you are entering a trade, or are needing more time to develop your skills in specific subject areas. From this you can progress on to Level 2 and Level 3 pathways of study and progression, or enter an internship or traineeship to help boost your employability skills to enter the world of work.



Resitting Maths and English...

Students aged 16-18, and those aged 19-25 with an education, health and care plan (EHCP), who do not hold a GCSE grade 9-4 (or A*-C) in either of the qualifications, must study English and/ or Maths as part of your college/ or potentially apprenticeship study programme.

Why?

-The [government says](#) achieving a GCSE grade 9-4 or A*-C in both maths and English “helps students to progress to further study, training and skilled employment”.

-It is a condition of funding for colleges, sixth forms and schools that students resit these qualifications if they do not have a grade 4 (or C) already. Educational institutions can have their

OPEN DAYS

YEAR 11 - WHAT DO I NEED TO DO/ NOTE DOWN ABOUT MY OPEN DAYS?

- You must register your place - usually done online via the college website.
- Take note of the time, date and location- this is your responsibility.
- Ask admissions teams from the colleges any questions that you may have prior to the event.
- Note down any questions you would like to ask when attending your Open Day.
- Ensure you are confident in the options that you are considering to study- if you are not please do book a careers appointment with Miss Mews or Mrs Lawson to help you with this- just send us an email and we can arrange a careers appointment with you.
- RESEARCH colleges and specialist colleges- make sure that you are aware of all of the study routes, options and places that are available to you- again if you are not sure or would like some help, please do ask!



SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 13 October 2022 6pm-8pm

Are you looking for a Sixth Form which is right for you?

If you are motivated by academic challenges, want the opportunity to develop a wide range of talents, enjoy taking a leadership role and are looking to be part of a hugely successful Sixth Form, Tadcaster Grammar School is for you, with over 30 subjects available at A Level and BTEC.

Your Future Matters



Call or visit our website for more details.

We will get YOU where YOU want to be.

Tadcaster Grammar School - Toulston, Tadcaster, North Yorkshire. LS24 9NB
Tel: 01937 833466 www.tgs.starmat.uk



Find out about courses:

<https://tgs.starmat.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Sixth-Form-Prospectus.pdf>

Open Events:

12 November 2022 (am)

28 January 2023 (am)

Find out more:

<https://www.askham-bryan.ac.uk/open-days/>

Find out about courses:

<https://www.askham-bryan.ac.uk/all-course-search>

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York College
Sim Balk Lane
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YO23 2BB
Tel: 01904 770000
Email:
info@yorkcollege.ac.uk

10 October 2022

3 November 2022

Find out more: <https://www.yorkcollege.ac.uk/events-and-news/events>

Find out about courses: <https://www.yorkcollege.ac.uk/study/curriculum-areas>

**BISHOP
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College

University
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BURTON**



Open Events:

29 September 2022

15 October 2022

26 November 2022

28 January 2023

Find out more:

<https://www.bishopburton.ac.uk/open-event-booking>

Find out about courses:

<https://www.bishopburton.ac.uk/college/courses>

HARROGATE COLLEGE

Open Events

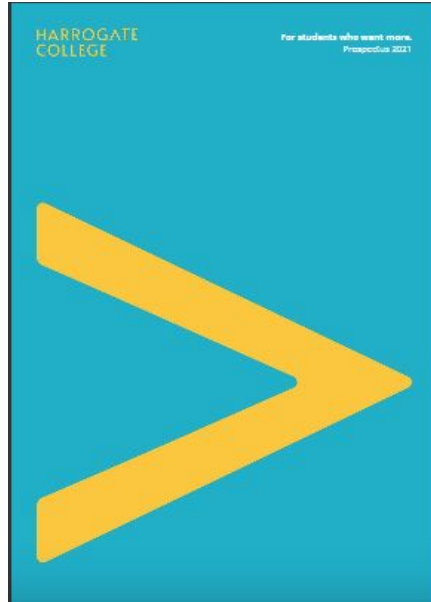
5 October 2022

9 November 2022

8 February 23

26 April 23

28 June 23



Harrogate College

Hornbeam Park Ave,
Harrogate HG2 8QT United
Kingdom

Tel: 01423 879466

Email:

contact@harrogate-college.ac.uk

Find out more: <https://harrogate-college.ac.uk/contact/events/>

Find out about courses: <https://harrogate-college.ac.uk/courses/>



Open Events:
8 October 2022
19 November 2022
23 February 2023
20 May.2023

Contact us

Email: info@lcb.ac.uk

Tel: 0113 222 6000

Find out about
courses: <https://www.lcb.ac.uk/events/>



For information about courses, transport and general college enquiries contact Student Services

Tel: 01757 211040 | email: info@selby.ac.uk

8 October 2022

21 November 2022

To find out more: [https://www selby.ac.uk/events](https://www.selby.ac.uk/events)

Find out about courses: <https://www.selby.ac.uk/subjects>



Interested in STEM? Have a look at UTC Leeds!
Open Evening: 19 October 22 Various time slots.
Click here to find out more: <https://www.utcleeds.co.uk/>

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Sayner Road
Leeds
West Yorkshire
LS10 1LA
Tel - 0113 3530140
Email - enquiries@utcleeds.co.uk

Find out about
courses: <https://www.utcleeds.co.uk/curriculum/>



Leeds Art University - Extended Diploma in Creative Practice

Find out more information about the course attend a college Open Day:

5 October 2022	6:30pm	Click here to book your place
9 November 2022	11:00am/12:00pm	Click here to book your place
25 January 2023	6:30pm	Click here to book your place
18 March 2023	11:00am/12:00pm	Click here to book your place

Find out about courses:

<https://www.leeds-art.ac.uk/study/further-education-courses/extended-diploma-in-creative-practice/>





Arts, Dance, Theatre, Music, Film Media.

Virtual Open Day Live- watch now

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jr7RLHDwCBI>

Courses: <https://www.capa.college/>





Open Events

15 October 2022 – 10.00am-2.00pm

15 November 2022 – 4:30pm-7:30pm

6 February 2023 – 5.00-7.00pm

Find out more: <https://ncpontefract.ac.uk/open-events/>

Find out about courses: <https://ncpontefract.ac.uk/courses/>

Leeds Sixth form College.

To find out more information:

<https://leedssixthform.ac.uk/events/virtual-open-event/>

Look at the courses:

<https://leedssixthform.ac.uk/our-courses/courses/>

Leeds City College



Check website for Open Day Events

Address Leeds City College, College House, Leeds ,LS3 1AA

Telephone 0113 3861997 - Course Enquiries

E-Mail openevents@leedscitycollege.ac.uk

Home Page www.leedscitycollege.ac.uk

Open Day Page www.leedscitycollege.ac.uk/index.php/media/events/

Find out about courses:

<https://leedscitycollege.ac.uk/our-courses/>

How do I apply for Sixth Form/College course ?

The process is mainly accessed via school/college website. Each will have an 'apply now' section on the course you're interested in, or on the webpage. It is important that you familiarise yourself with the application process so that you feel comfortable with applying.

You will be asked for predicted GCSE grades as part of your application (because you will not have your finalised grades until next year). If you are uncertain of your predicted grades/ or when you will receive them, ensure that you speak to your form tutor and subject teachers to gain an idea of when this may be and what your grades are so that you have them ready when you apply for the course.

Furthermore, if you have any particular questions about your chosen college course, you can get in touch with their admissions team and they will be able to answer any course information that you have. The information for their admissions team will be on the college webpage, or you could get in touch directly with reception to transfer you to the team/ or the college web page may have a 'chat now' function where you can also find out this information.