

21st September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Post-16 Information Pack

We hope that your child is settling-in well into Year 11. The careers and year team are looking forward to working with you and your child to help them secure their post-16 destination this academic year.

We understand how daunting the process of making decisions and applications for the first time can be for students therefore, we have designed this information pack to provide you with all the key resources and information you will need to get started.

The pack includes the following:

- Careers Provision in Year 11
- Post-16 Options (A-Levels, BTECs, T-Levels and Apprenticeships)
- Post-16 Providers (Colleges, Sixth Forms and Specialist Institutions)
- Information on Open Days
- How and When to Make Applications.

You are encouraged to read the information provided in this information pack with your child. If you have any questions, please contact the Careers Education and Guidance Manager using the contact details provided below. Your child can also book an appointment directly with the Careers Education and Guidance Manager by visiting her office (room 1.24).

Thank you for your support in helping your child to consider their post-16 options.

Yours faithfully,



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Careers Provision in Year 11

Time of Year	Careers Provision
September 2022 – January 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-to-one career guidance to begin with either the Tower Hamlets Careers Adviser or Ms. Kawtar • Students to be supported with personal statements, where required • Post-16 application support, where required • Students to confirm their post-16 choices (minimum of 3) and begin making applications
January 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All students must have applied to at least 3 suitable sixth forms/colleges (on top of apprenticeships, if this is their preferred route) • Mock Interview Opportunities (booked on request by student) • Tutors and CEIAG team to track students' applications
March – April 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students to complete 'What Next?' Google form with post-16 applications/offers (Re-assessing post-16 destination plans and actions) • Tutors and CEIAG team to continue tracking students' applications
GCSE Results Day (Date TBC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students to complete final destinations form
All Year Round	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ad-hoc opportunities and useful information/advice/guidance to be shared with students via tutor times and assemblies • Access to additional personal career guidance if booked with the careers adviser

Post-16 Options (A-Levels, BTECs, T-Levels and Apprenticeships)

Qualification	Level	Description
A-Levels	3	Subject-based qualifications taken at college/sixth form where you will study three or more A-Levels over a duration of two years. This can lead to university, further study, training or employment.
Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)	(Completed in addition to 3 A-Levels, not alone)	An independent research project which you can take alongside your A-Levels (but not alone). The EPQ can teach you some key skills and boost your future higher education and/or employment applications.
BTEC/ CTECH Diplomas	1, 2 or 3	BTEC/CTEC Diplomas give you greater insight into a particular sector or industry. They are a range of options available and they can be equivalent to either one, two, or three A levels. They can also be chosen in combination with other qualifications e.g. BTEC and A-Level.
National Vocational Qualification (NVQ)	1, 2 or 3	NVQs provide you with skills to do a specific job ranging from hairdressing to plumbing. They are usually taken if you have a full-time job, or are on a course with a work placement that requires you to develop appropriate skills.
T-Levels <i>*More information on T-Levels provided below</i>	3	T-Levels are new courses which are equivalent to 3 A levels. They are 2-year courses which launched in September 2020 and have been developed in collaboration with employers and businesses so that the content meets the needs of industry and prepares students for work, further training or study. T Levels offer a mixture of classroom learning and 'on-the-job' experience during an industry placement.
Intermediate Apprenticeship (GCSE Equivalent)	2	An apprentice earns while they learn. You would be employed by an organisation that will train you with the necessary skills while also gain a recognised qualification.
Advanced Apprenticeship (A-Level Equivalent)	3	



Post-16 Providers (colleges, sixth forms and specialist institutions)

**Please note that this is not an exhaustive list. Students are free to explore and consider other sixth forms, colleges and specialist institutions of their choice.*

<p>Attlee A-level Academy (part of New City College) Arbour Square London, E1 0PT Tel: 020 7510 7510 www.ncclondon.ac.uk/a-level-academy</p>	<p>Barking & Dagenham College Dagenham Road, Rush Green Romford RM7 0XU Tel: 020 3667 0294 www.barkingdagenhamcollege.ac.uk</p>	<p>Bishop Challoner 6th Form 352 Commercial Rd, London E1 0LB Tel: 020 7791 9500 www.bishopchallonerfederation.towerhamlets.sch.uk</p>
<p>Bow School 44 Twelvetees Crescent, London E3 3QW Tel: 0207 536 5525 www.bow-school.org.uk</p>	<p>BSix Brooke House Sixth Form College Kenninghall Road London E5 8BP Tel: 020 8525 7150 www.bsix.ac.uk</p>	<p>Central Foundation Girls School Aspire Building 41-47 Bow Road London E3 2BS Tel: 0208 981 1131 www.central.towerhamlets.sch.uk</p>
<p>Christ The King 6th Form College Belmont Grove Lewisham London SE13 5GE Tel: 020 8297 9433 www.ctksfc.ac.uk</p>	<p>Chobham Academy 40 Cheering Lane, London E20 1BD Tel: 0203 747 6060 www.chobhamacademy.org.uk</p>	<p>City & Islington College (part of WKIC) 283-309 Goswell Road London EC1V 7LA Tel: 020 7700 9200 www.candi.ac.uk</p>
<p>City of Westminster College Paddington Green campus 25 Paddington Green London W2 1NB Tel: 020 7723 8826 www.cwc.ac.uk</p>	<p>College of Haringey, Enfield & North East London High Road London N15 4RU Tel: 020 8442 3055 www.conel.ac.uk</p>	<p>George Green's School 100 Manchester Road London E14 3DW Tel: 020 7987 6032 www.georgegreens.com</p>
<p>Harris Westminster Sixth Form Steel House, 11 Tothill Street, London, SW1H 9LH Tel: 020 3772 4555 www.harriswestminstersixthform.org.uk</p>	<p>Havering College Ardleigh Green Road Hornchurch RM11 2LL Tel: 01708 455 011 www.havering-college.ac.uk</p>	<p>Havering 6th Form College Wingletye Lane Hornchurch RM11 3TB Tel: 01708 514 400 www.havering-sfc.ac.uk</p>
<p>Langdon Park School Bright Street London, E14 0RZ Tel: 020 7987 4811 www.langdonparkschool.co.uk</p>	<p>Lewisham Southwark College Lewisham Way London SE4 1UT Tel: 0800 834 545 www.lesoco.ac.uk</p>	<p>Leyton 6th Form College Essex Road London E10 6EQ Tel: 020 8928 9000 www.leyton.ac.uk</p>
<p>London Academy of Excellence Broadway House 322 High Street London E15 1AJ Tel: 020 3301 1480 www.lae.ac.uk</p>	<p>London South East Colleges Greenwich Campus 95 Plumstead Road, London SE18 7DQ Tel: 0300 303 2554 www.lsec.ac.uk</p>	<p>Morpeth School Portman Place London E2 0PX Tel: 020 8981 0921 www.morpethschool.org.uk</p>



<p>Mulberry Academy Shoreditch (was Bethnal Green Academy) Gosset Street London E2 6NW Tel: 0207 920 7900 www.mulberryacademymyshoreditch.org</p>	<p>Mulberry School for Girls Richard Street Commercial Road London E1 2JP Tel: 020 7790 6327 www.mulberry.towerhamlets.sch.uk</p>	<p>New City College Epping Forest (was Epping Forest College) Borders Lane Loughton IG10 3SA Tel: 020 8508 8311 www.ncclondon.ac.uk/epping-forest</p>
<p>New City College Hackney (was Hackney Community College) Shoreditch Campus, Falkirk St London N1 6HQ Tel: 020 7613 9123 www.ncclondon.ac.uk/hackney</p>	<p>New City College Redbridge (was Redbridge College) Chadwell Heath Lane Romford RM6 4XT Tel: 020 8548 7402 www.ncclondon.ac.uk/redbridge</p>	<p>New City College Tower Hamlets (was Tower Hamlets College) Poplar High Street London E14 0AF Tel: 020 7510 7510 www.ncclondon.ac.uk/tower-hamlets</p>
<p>Newham College Welfare Road London E15 4HT Tel: 020 8257 4000 www.newham.ac.uk</p>	<p>Newham Collegiate Sixth Form Centre (NCS) 326 Barking Rd London E6 2BB Tel: 020 3373 5000 www.thencs.co.uk</p>	<p>NewVic (Newham 6th Form College) Prince Regent Lane Plaistow, E13 8SG Tel: 020 7473 4110 www.newvic.ac.uk</p>
<p>Oaklands School Old Bethnal Green Road London E2 6PR Tel: 020 7613 1014 www.oaklandsschool.com</p>	<p>Raines Foundation School Approach Road London E2 9LY Tel: 020 8981 1231 www.rainesfoundation.org.uk</p>	<p>St Charles Catholic 6th Form College St Charles Square London W10 6EY Tel: 020 8968 7755 www.stcharles.ac.uk</p>
<p>St Paul's Way Trust Sixth Form 125, St Paul's Way London E3 4FT Tel: 020 7987 1883 www.spwt.net</p>	<p>Sir George Monoux 6th Form 190 Chingford Road Walthamstow E17 5AA Tel: 020 8523 3544 http://www.sgmc.ac.uk</p>	<p>Stepney All Saints Sixth Form (was Sir John Cass) Stepney Way London E1 0RH Tel: 020 7790 6712 www.sicr.net</p>
<p>Six 21 Pitchford Street London E15 4RZ Tel: 020 8262 2121 www.six21.org.uk</p>	<p>South Quay College (was City Gateway College) 32 Mastmaker Court Mastmaker Road London E14 9UB Tel: 020 3727 6300 www.southquaycollege.org.uk</p>	<p>Stepney Green Maths, Computing & Science College Ben Jonson Road, London, E1 4SD Tel: 020 7790 6361 www.stepneygreen.towerhamlets.sch.uk</p>
<p>Swanlea School 31 Brady Street Whitechapel London E1 5DJ Tel: 020 7375 3267 http://swanlea.co.uk</p>	<p>Waltham Forest College 707 Forest Road Walthamstow E17 4JB Tel: 020 8501 8000 www.waltham.ac.uk</p>	<p>Westminster Kingsway College (part of WKCIC) Kings Cross Centre 211 Grays Inn Road London WC1X 8RA Tel: 020 7963 4181 www.westking.ac.uk</p>



Access Creative College <i>(was Access to Music)</i> 50 Hoxton Street Shoreditch London N1 6LP 0207 613 8380 www.accesscreative.ac.uk	Big Creative Education <i>(was DV8)</i> BCE Academy Campus Clifton Avenue London E17 6HL Tel: 020 8498 3300 www.bigcreative.education	The BRIT School for Performing Arts & Technology 60 The Crescent Croydon CR0 2HN Tel: 0208 665 5242 www.brit.croydon.sch.uk
Capel Manor College Bullsmoor Lane Enfield EN1 4RQ Tel: 0303 003 1234 www.capel.ac.uk <i>(Animal Care, horticulture, floristry)</i>	East London Arts & Music (ELAM) Maltings Close, London E3 3TA Tel: 020 7515 2159 www.elam.co.uk	Fashion Retail Academy 15 Gresse Street London W1T 1QL Tel: 0300 247 3000 www.fashionretailacademy.ac.uk <i>(Fashion retail and design)</i>
Hadlow College Mottingham Lane London SE12 9AW Tel: 0808 555 1434 www.hadlow.ac.uk <i>(Animal Care, horticulture, floristry)</i>	LCBT Ramillies House 1-2 Ramillies St London W1F 7LN Tel: 020 7208 1300 www.lcbt.co.uk <i>(Hair, beauty and fitness)</i>	London Design & Engineering UTC Docklands Campus, 15 University Way, London, E16 2RD Tel: 0203 019 7333 www.ldeutc.co.uk <i>(design, engineering)</i>
Mulberry UTC 64 Parnell Road London E3 2RU Tel: 020 3137 7024 www.mulberryutc.co.uk <i>(digital, creative, healthcare)</i>	Sir Simon Milton Westminster UTC 1 Sutherland Street London SW1V 4LD 020 2201 7660 www.westminsterutc.co.uk <i>(STEM)</i>	Tech City College 263 – 269 City Road London EC1V 1JX Tel: 020 3301 3620 www.techcity-aspirations.org <i>(STEM)</i>
Brampton Manor Academy Roman Rd London E6 3SQ Tel: 020 7540 0500 www.bramptonmanor.org	London Academy of Excellence 322 High St London E15 1AJ Tel: 020 3301 1480 www.lae.ac.uk	

T Level Providers	T LEVEL ROUTE DELIVERY BY ACADEMIC YEAR					
	Digital Route	Construction Route	Education and Childcare Route	Health and Science Route	Business and Administration Route	Engineering and Manufacturing Route
Barking & Dagenham College	X	X		X		X
Big Creative Training Ltd	X					
Leyton Sixth Form College			X			
Mulberry UTC	X			X		
New City College	X	X	X	X	X	X
Newham College	X	X		X	X	
NewVic (Newham Sixth Form)	X	X	X		X	

Information on Open Days and Evenings

Students are encouraged to attend open days and evenings to get a feel of the college/sixth form, understand what they have to offer and also ask questions that can help their application.

College/Sixth Form	Courses Offered	Date/ Time of Open Day	Link
Access Creative College	T-Levels, BTEC, Apprenticeship	Monday 25 th October, 6pm Monday 26 th November 2022, 11am	Book now: https://www.accesscreative.ac.uk/open-events/
Newham College	BTEC	<p>TBC</p> <p><i>Please check providers' websites regularly for updates on open days and evenings that have been scheduled. Most colleges and sixth forms will start their open days and evenings in October.</i></p> <p><i>The school will also update students on upcoming open days and evenings through their tutors and Microsoft Teams.</i></p>	
City and Islington College	All		
New City College	All		
Six21	A-Level		
Brampton Manor	A-Level		
Waltham Forest College	All		
BSix	All		
Sir George Monoux 6 th Form	A-Levels BTEC		
Leyton 6 th Form College	A-Level BTEC		
Mulberry UTC	All		
Central Foundation Girls School	A Level BTEC		
Stepney All Saints Sixth Form (formerly Sir John Cass)	A-Levels BTEC		
NewVic	All		
London Academy of Excellence	A-Level		
St Paul's Way Sixth Form	A-Level		
Newham Collegiate Sixth Form Centre	A-Level		

How and When to Make Applications

1. College/Sixth Form

Students applying to college/sixth form will be applying for one of the following qualifications:

- A-Levels
- BTEC/ CTECH
- Combination of BTEC with an A-Level
- T-Levels

Step 1: Explore and Research all the several different qualification and provider options available with your child

Step 2: Attend open day or evenings with your child, where possible (you can find out when a college/sixth form has an open day or evening on their website)

Step 3: Apply to 3-5 (or more) different colleges/sixth forms with your child starting from October when applications will start opening

All students must have researched and applied to at least three college/sixth form choices by the end of January 2023, even if they are considering an Apprenticeship.

Students can apply to different colleges at the same time. In fact, they are encouraged to do so as this gives them more choice to make a final decision on results day. They can also apply for the college/sixth form route and at the same time explore the apprenticeship route. When students receive their GCSE results, they can make their final decision and confirm the place they would like to take while withdraw from the others.

When making a college/sixth form application, students will need a range of information, ranging from personal details to predicted grades.

Note: The school will be updating students regularly when applications open and are due to close. For now, it is important to start researching and regularly check for updates on when applications will open.

Top Tips

- Know your deadlines – be aware of the sixth form/ college's unique application deadline
- Be thorough – provide all of the requested information
- Proof read – to ensure there are no mistakes
- Be honest – do not exaggerate your achievements as the information you provide will be verified and can jeopardise a potential space
- Inform your tutor/head of year/career adviser – so that they can look out for a reference request from the sixth form/ college

2. Apprenticeships

You must still apply to college/sixth form even if you are considering an apprenticeship. This will ensure that your options are kept open. If you secure an apprenticeship, you can withdraw your college/sixth form application.

The Process:

1. Make sure you have an up to date CV
2. Research industries and companies that you may be interested in
3. Visit 'Find an apprenticeship' on GOV.UK
Note: Some employers may advertise vacancies on their own website
4. Create your account and start applying!
Students leaving GCSE would be looking for either an Intermediate or Advanced Apprenticeship
5. Some employers will only require a submission of your CV/cover letter, while others may require you to fill out an online application form instead
6. If successful at the application stage, you may have to attend an interview

***Apprenticeship vacancies come and go so keep an eye out for deadlines throughout the year!
You should apply for an apprenticeship as soon as you see the vacancy is open.***

What do employers look for?

- Up to date CV and personalised cover letter
- You have done your research on the industry and company
- Interest in the organisation and role you are applying for
- The drive and commitment needed to work and study
- Skills and experiences that are relevant

Students who would like support with creating a CV or finding and applying for an apprenticeship can book an appointment with Ms Kawtar, Careers Education and Guidance Manager, in room 1.24.