

The ongoing Corona Virus epidemic may have left many young people unsure about their next steps, where to go for advice and maybe even unsure about their future career choices. With this in mind, we have produced this guide to support young people. The way that these opportunities are delivered may be subject to change.

Many of you will expect to achieve the grades needed and will be staying in your school sixth

read on:

When considering your next steps, it can seem confusing as there are so many options to choose from. Whether you are looking at further education, apprenticeships, work or training, we recommend that you research thoroughly. There are several websites listed in this resource which can help you to explore courses and careers. In addition, it is important to identify existing skills as well as your hobbies and interests to help you to make a good match. You could also speak with school or college staff, careers advisers and family networks to help you to make a strong choice. Remember to have a backup plan.

Extension to Child Benefit

If you are a school or college leaver, under 18, unemployed and do not have a course or training programme to start in September 2021, your parent/carer may be entitled to claim Extension

can register your claim. For more information contact the Employability and Skills Team on

If you have not already applied, then we suggest that you make applications quickly. There are broadly two different types of college course:

Usually involves studying multiple subjects. This may provide increased progression options at the end of the course.

Assessment is usually weighted towards exams with less emphasis on continuous assessment.

Entry Criteria: Typically, applicants will be

across schools and colleges.

Some schools and Sixth Form Colleges may

Vocational courses are typically designed

Courses usually range from Level 1 and go up to Level 3 and higher.

Vocational courses are an opportunity to specialise early in a subject that interests you.

It often means studying one main subject (some schools and colleges allow you to blend academic and vocational options).

Maths or English, you will be required to main course.

Telephone: 01277 277156
Website: www.brentwoodursuline.co.uk

Telephone: 01702 202571
Website: www.greenswardacademy.org

May f ower High School

Telephone: 01277 623171
Website: _____

**Unif ed SEEVIC and Palmers College
Ben feet/ Grays**

Telephone: SEEVC 01268 756111
Telephone: Palmers 01375 370121
Website: www.uspcollege.ac.uk

Shen f eld High School

Telephone: 01277 219131
Website: _____

Telephone: 0345 52 12345
Website: www.southessex.ac.uk

Telephone: 01277 238300
Website: www.st-martins.essex.sch.uk

Ben feet
Telephone: 01268 794215
Website: www.theappletonschool.org

Telephone: 01277 354018
Website: www.aesessex.co.uk

Telephone: 01268 552536
Website: www.basildonacademy.org.uk

Telephone: 01268 735466
Website: www.beauchamp.org.uk

Telephone: 01277 286600
Website: <https://www.becketkeys.org/>

Telephone: 01277 238900
Website: www.bchs.essex.sch.uk

Telephone: 01277500990
Website: <https://www.theongaracademy.org/ongar-6/>

Telephone: 01702 545771
Website: www.kes.essex.sch.uk

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Telephone: 01702 558284
Website: www.thekjs.essex.sch.uk

Telephone: 01268 784721
Website: www.sweynepark.com

Telephone: 020 8090 3020
Website: www.barkingdagenhamcollege.ac.uk

Telephone: 01245 265611 or 01245 293031
Website: www.chelmsford-college.ac.uk

Telephone: 01708 455011
Website: www.ncclondon.ac.uk/havering-colleges

Telephone: 01708 514400
Website: www.ncclondon.ac.uk/havering-colleges

Telephone: 01245 424200
Website: www.writtle.ac.uk

Where possible, speak with the Careers Adviser at your school or college who will have access to information about subject choices and career paths. Please check websites for contact details.

_____ : If you are aged 16–18, do not have access to a school or college

September, then please call the Employability and Skills Team on _____ or email _____



Due to the Corona Epidemic, there may be fewer apprenticeships advertised. It is very important for you to have a backup plan. For up to date information about local vacancies, please visit: _____

An apprenticeship gives you the opportunity to _____ a wage at the same time. Apprenticeships are

the way up to Degree level in some occupational areas.

Traineeships (sometimes referred to as Pre-Apprenticeships) are work experience placements with employers (occasionally paid) lasting from six weeks to six months. With a traineeship, you will gain employability skills, functional skills in English and Maths (if needed) and meaningful work experience. It could lead to an apprenticeship with an employer.

Administration and Customer Service
<https://www.keytraining.co.uk/young-person-looking-for-an-apprenticeship/>

Apprenticeships in Business Administration,
Customer service and more
www.aclessex.com/apprenticeships-in-essex

Business Administration and IT related
<https://www.qa.com/learners/become-an-apprentice/>

Hairdressing, Barbering, Retail & Customer
Service, Digital Marketing, Teaching Assistant and
Business Administration
<https://www.centraltraininggroup.com/>

<https://www.tchc.net/individual/apprenticeships>

Unified SEEVIC and Palmers
Accountancy, Business Administration, Early
Years, Teaching Assistant and IT
<https://www.uspcollege.ac.uk/courses-apprenticeships/>

Business Administration, Customer Service,
Estate Agency, Lettings and Property
Management, Learning and Development and
Retail
<https://www.crownvocationaltraining.co.uk/apprenticeships/>

Business Administration, Child Care and Health
and Social Care
<https://vts.ac.uk/information-for-apprentices/>

Apprenticeships and funded training in Beauty and
Nails with a training centre/ salon in Wickford
<https://debutacademy.com/>

Business, Accountancy and Tech Apprenticeships
in London
<https://platform.multiverse.io/apprenticeships>

Care and Child Care
<http://edentraining.co.uk/>

[courses-for-me/apprenticeship-vacancies](#)

Hospitality and Catering
<https://hittraining.co.uk/contact-us>

<https://www.chelmsford.ac.uk/courses/apprenticeships-view.asp>

Offers Apprenticeships and Traineeships in:
Business, Construction, Customer Service, Digital
Media, and Marketing.
<https://www.ixionholdings.com/>

<https://www.j-ettraining.com/>

Business Administration, Digital Marketing and
Teaching Assistant
<https://www.thelightbulbapprenticeships.com/>



and Maths qualifications often alongside

*Some Foundation Learning courses may have restrictions due to funding. Check with the provider when making your enquiries.

[https://www.crownvocationaltraining.co.uk/
apprenticeships/](https://www.crownvocationaltraining.co.uk/apprenticeships/)

Level 2 Business Administration and IT Course based in Leigh on Sea. You will be required to attend 4 days a week over 20 weeks and will have the chance to improve your Maths and English

[https://debutacademy.com/training-courses/
funded/](https://debutacademy.com/training-courses/funded/)

A range of beauty related courses

<http://edentraining.co.uk/16-18/study-program/>

Level 1 and 2 Health and Social Care course based in Leigh on Sea, is a good starting point for a career in Health and Social Care or Child Care. The course includes college and work experience and a chance to improve Maths and English.



careers advice, skills assessments, finding

<https://youth.essex.gov.uk/>

www.essexopportunities.co.uk

National Careers Service- Job Profiles

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/explore-careers>

<https://vinspired.com/>

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/education-and-training-for-young-people>

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/skills-assessment>

<https://icould.com>

<https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/employment-help-young-people/choices/getting-a-job/>


people finding their first job



www.indeed.co.uk

www.notgoingtouni.co.uk

www.ucas.com




provides advice and support to children, young people and families who are in need of support with their emotional wellbeing or mental health

www.nelft.nhs.uk/services-ewmhs

Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm: call
Email: nelft-ewmhs.referrals@nhs.net

Urgent or out of hours: call



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