

At each stage in your learner journey you will be supported and encouraged to consider your career and progression options. Our Careers Provision outlines the key elements that are included in the programme at Cheshire College – South & West. All of the below is subject to change and may involve some virtual aspects.

Guidance Interviews

After applying for a course at College you will be invited to a face-to-face or telephone 'Guidance Interview', This will be with a subject-specific tutor who will provide information, advice and guidance about the course and/or course options. Careers Advisers are available at our Guidance Interviews to offer support and advice for those who are unsure of their options. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to attend with their son/daughter.

Open Events and Community Days

Curriculum and support staff are available at all events. During these events you will have the opportunity to speak with subject-specific staff and/or a Careers Adviser. Parent/Guardians are encouraged to attend with their son/daughter.

Taster Days and Experience Evenings

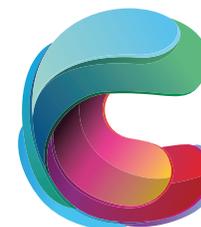
Both the Taster Days and Experience Evenings are aimed at supporting prospective learners with their career options by providing an insight into the courses and Apprenticeships the College has to offer along with the progression opportunities available within the industry. The Taster Days are organised via the school and normally take place at the end of the academic year, whereas the Experience Evenings happen throughout the year.

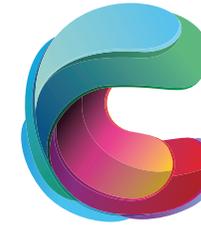
Welcome Event

All interviewed applicants are invited to attend our 'Welcome Event' in July, which provides prospective learners with the opportunity to get involved in a short workshop within the area and to also find out key information about their Study Programme. Parents are invited to attend welcome days.

Enrolment

At your Enrolment Interview, your interviewer can provide information, advice and guidance about your subject choices.





Tutorials

The tutorial programme is designed to help our learners to develop into responsible citizens recognising fundamental British Values and how to keep themselves physically and mentally healthy. Group tutorials are held weekly and are ran by Personal Development Tutors (PDTs), where learners will find out about upcoming events and take part in activities that will improve their employability skills and help them understand their next steps. Learners will also have an opportunity to meet individually with their PDT to review their progress and identify targets.

Higher Education Widening Participation Talks/Summer School/Events

Includes talks from Higher Horizons and key feeder Universities. If you meet the eligibility criteria you will be encouraged to consider these schemes, which are great additions to your UCAS application and supports you into higher education.

UCAS Apply Workshops

Learners are introduced to the UCAS process in the final term of a Level 3 programme, the first term of Level 3, year 2, is focused on supporting learners with their UCAS applications.

Talent Pool

The College has its own dedicated team to support learners (and external applicants) into Apprenticeships. Talent Pool Co-ordinators attend tutorials to deliver support along with 1-1 guidance and help learners in applying for an Apprenticeship.

Work Experience Workshops

All learners must complete an external work placement (where suitable). Multiple workshops are held within the tutorial system to help prepare learners for work experience.

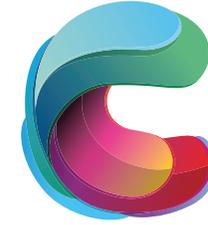
Intended Destinations Review

All learners will have a 1-1 meeting with their PDT, to review their intended destination and access support or signposting where required. Learners will have the opportunity to discuss their career aims with a PDT, subject specific tutor and/or Careers Adviser.

Learner Finance Talk to Level 3

Learners are provided with information and support when applying for student finance.





Parents' Evening

Parents can speak to Personal Development Tutors, and curriculum staff about the development and progression of their son/daughter.

Core Curriculum

Careers learning is embedded into the Study Programme and taught lessons, this includes access to LMI (Labour Market Information).

Shaping the Curriculum

The College regularly engages with local employers to support the shaping of curriculum and to reduce the gap between education and employment to ensure learners are work-ready.

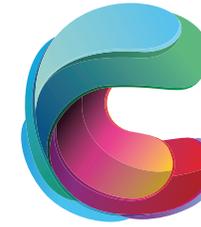
Engagement with Employers

Employers and organisations are brought into lessons to support development. This could include motivational speakers, workshops and projects.

Results Day

Learners are provided with support from curriculum teachers and Career Advisers on the day, particularly those who are looking at 'Clearing' options or are re-considering their options.





Enrichment

Learners are able to choose from a selection of different activities including employability workshops to support them with their career aspirations.

Scholars Programme

Support is available to learners who want to either apply to the Universities of Oxford or Cambridge, or who want to study Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science. Coaching and mentoring is provided throughout the year.

Honours Programme

Support is available to learners who want to apply to Russell Group Universities. Coaching and mentoring, along with guest speakers, is provided throughout the year.

UniReady Programme

This programme is aimed at learners who wish to progress on to university. The Programme includes university workshops such as virtual subject taster sessions and attending virtual university open day events.

Higher Education Fair

The College hosts an annual fair that engages with a variety of universities from around the country.

Employers Fair

The College works closely with many different employers as well as the Cheshire and Warrington Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) and Pledge to deliver employer-led events to provide our learners with the opportunity to find out more about the different career pathways.

University Open Day visits

Learners are provided with opportunities to attend university open days, whether these are face-to-face or virtual.
