Year 11:

What to do on Results Day & How to Confirm Your Post-16 Plans

2022-2023

England:

- You can leave school on the **last Friday in June** *if* you become 16 by the end of the summer holidays
- You must then do one of the following until you're 18 (end of Yr 13) due to RPA rules:
- Stay in full-time education, for example at a college
- Start an apprenticeship or traineeship
- Spend 20 hours or more a week working or volunteering, while in part-time education or training

School leaving age - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Results Day:

- Try your best to attend school on Results Day and collect and confirm your GCSE results (school to inform event timetable in the summer term)
- This will help to confirm whether you have the grades to pursue your preferred choice or whether a back up plan is to be followed instead

College Application Process Example: SSC

- Step 1: Visit website & complete an online application form for the course that you are interested in (with me in guidance or Miss Delaney's drop-in). Each application will receive an email acknowledgement so that you know it has been received
- Step 2: Learner Services team will then contact you to confirm either an interview or an IAG Session, depending on your chosen course, where they will discuss any support, you may require. Tutors will talk through your career aspirations and predicted grades. This helps a

College make sure you have applied for the right course to help you to achieve your career goals

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- Interviews will take place over the phone
- IAG Sessions will be face to face at one of our Saturday Open Days or during an evening weekday slot
- Email correspondence will confirm that for you
- You will also receive a call from College the day before your interview/IAG Session as well as a text reminder on the day
- Please note any calls from College will show as a private number calling
- Step 3: If the course is suitable for you a verbal offer will be given. If you accept this verbal offer you will receive a follow-up confirmation email asking you to confirm the offer by clicking on a link in the email. By doing this it secures your place at the college. Colleges state that they like an early response as places fill up quickly
- Step 4: For those with earlier applications: During
 January/February 2023 students will be sent an email asking
 them to upload predicted GCSE results. College have stated not
 to worry about this, it is just to ascertain your course level. It
 WILL NOT stop you getting a place with them
- Step 5: During the summer July/August 2023 the Learner Services team will send you an email to action the first part of the enrolment process by completing an online enrolment form, uploading a photo of yourself and digitally signing the enrolment agreement

Your Photo ID:

- · Your photo will be used for your ID badge
- Needs to be professional & should be of you and only you

- Please do not include objects, pets etc.
- Avoid busy backgrounds. Just keep it simple
- Step 6: Once you have completed the online enrolment form the College Learner Services team will email you an invitation to come into the college to complete the final stage of the enrolment process
- This will give you the opportunity to meet some of the teaching staff face-to-face who will confirm your course level*
- Take your GCSE results and proof of ID with you!
- * NB: Many colleges offer a place in their department and define the course level you start from after your GCSE grades have been confirmed

College Enrolment:

- Be in receipt of an enrolment slot/time from your college to attend to complete the sign up process. This is typically sent to you around the last week of August or in the first week of September
- Attend at your specified time and complete a formal signing up
 & agree to start course
- What to take in evidence of GCSE grades and proof of ID (prov. Driving licence/passport/birth cert)
- Agree to comply re attendance and conduct etc.
- Enrolment times often run across a week and will sometimes vary between campuses
- Colleges are flexible and generally won't even worry too much if you haven't applied yet
- You can normally drop in to the college and you could be interviewed for a suitable course and enrolled on the day
- If you cannot make your targeted enrolment slot or find that you are away on holiday, colleges will normally suggest a

flexible drop in time that you can attend on your return - normally placed on their website

Multiple Offers? Time to Choose

- You are likely to have explored multiple options
- Now you may hold a number of offers
- Confirm your preferred offer (Plan A)
- Contact this provider FIRST & re-confirm your place
- Start and complete the Enrolment process
- Respond to any email or text response received from other providers and politely turn down their offers (if held)
- If you have had no direct communication it is polite to inform an institution with an email or call of your decision not to accept their offer

An Apprenticeship Pathway

- You might have already started your apprenticeship with an employer from July onwards — you are free to do so after the School Leaving Date (normally last Friday in June)
- Your employer will have decided which training provider —
 typically a college or specialist company that you will be
 undertaking your qualification and formal training/assessment
 with
- If via a college, it is common to start within the same period as college-based students start their full/part time courses
- Study approaches in WBT can vary ask your Boss!
- It is common to work 4 days with your employer and attend college 1 day a week
- Sometimes you may work 3 days and attend college 2 days
- Your contract might require you to attend a morning or evening class (accountancy)

 You could be required to undertake a block release. This is a set period of attendance for study and then an extended period of time at work