

SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT GUIDE 2022-23



Welcome to New College Durham

The next few years will be an exciting time as your students begin to look at their future career and explore all the options available to them.

Our School Engagement Team offer a wide range of services to help ensure your students have the knowledge, skills and confidence to progress into Further Education, Higher Education or employment.

Whichever route your students choose, we can offer inspiration and advice to help them along the way.

If you would like to discuss any of the activities in this brochure or a bespoke session tailored to suit your school or sixth form, please do not hesitate to contact a member of our team:



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Information & Advice at your school or sixth form

Our School Engagement Team are available to attend a variety of events held for your students, including:

PARENTS' & OPTIONS EVENINGS

Members of the team can attend events held for your students and their families including Parents' Evenings, Options Evenings and Information Events. We can provide advice and guidance about the college, post- 16 and higher education routes.

CAREERS FAIRS

To help support the important careers work carried out within schools we can coordinate a range of college staff and subject areas to attend your school careers events. Students will engage in a variety of interactive activities, helping to support their learner journey.

RESULTS DAYS

Our School Engagement Team are available to support and reassure your students on results day with information, advice and guidance on their next steps.



SEND SUPPORT AND TRANSITION

Transition for young people with SEND and Additional Support needs can be a worrying time, and to facilitate a smooth process our SENCO works closely with young people, their families, schools and outside agencies.

To ensure a smooth transition process we offer the following services:

- » Information, Advice and Guidance to young people with SEND to explore their options
- » Attend EHCP Annual Reviews
- » Arrange College visits and taster sessions
- » Attends careers events and Parents' Evenings at school

OUR OFFER

We offer a range of fun and engaging activities and events for your students

Title	Description	Year group	Duration
PLAN YOUR JOURNEY	This informative presentation will provide an insight into the pathways available after year 11. It will outline the full range of options available at NCD and support students in their transition.	11	10 – 30 mins
APPLICATION DROP-INS	Information, advice and application sessions providing guided support for students who are unsure about their next steps. Our qualified Careers Advisers are on-hand to support with these sessions.	9-11	Flexible
T-LEVELS	This interactive session introduces the new T Level qualifications to students, highlighting the variety of sectors available to study.	10-11	30-60 mins
STEM DAY	Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths - An opportunity to explore NCD through practical sessions in our workshops, classrooms and labs to develop a broader understanding and interest of STEM.	10-11	Full day
1-2-1 CAREERS SESSIONS	Our Matrix Accredited, qualified IAG Advisers can provide careers interviews for your students, giving impartial advice on local colleges, universities and courses available. These interviews will help ensure your pupils are aware of all the options available to them and entry requirements for different courses and levels.	10-13	30 mins
TRANSITION TOURS	Group tours bookable via school – Our team are always on hand to provide tours of our amazing campus, ensuring students experience first-hand the fantastic facilities available at NCD.	11	Approx. 60mins
INDUSTRY VISITS	These visits are aimed to help students gain experience in a live working industry, giving them practical opportunities in different sectors.	10/11	Half day or full day

Session type	Group size	Gatsby benchmarks
Presentation	Full year or classroom	7
Information, advice and support	Small groups or 1-2-1	2, 4, 7
Interactive session	Tutor groups or small groups	2, 4, 7
Tasters and interactive sessions	Small groups	2, 3, 4, 7
1-2-1 appointment	Individual	3, 7, 8
College tour	Small groups	7
Industry Visit	Various	4, 5, 7

APPRENTICESHIPS

Title	Description	Year group	Duration
INTRO TO APPRENTICESHIPS	Delivered by our Apprenticeship team, this presentation introduces students to apprenticeships and the opportunities available.	10-11	10 – 30 mins
CV SKILLS	This interactive session will provide students with a better understanding of the information required in order to create the perfect CV. The session will also provide resources for creating a covering letter.	10-11	60 mins
INTERVIEW TECHNIQUES	The purpose of this interactive session is to help your students prepare for the interview process and have the confidence to deliver the perfect interview. The session will cover interview techniques with the opportunity to role play interview with peers.	10-11	60 mins
DISCOVER APPRENTICESHIPS	This event is aimed at year 11 and year 13 students that are currently looking for an apprenticeship. The event will support students to discover current vacancies available with a range of employers, get support with your CV application and the chance to speak with our apprenticeship team.	11, 13	Half Day

Title	Description	Year group	Duration
INTRO TO A-LEVELS	Delivered by our Sixth Form Centre staff, this informative presentation provides a detailed overview of A-Level provision within our Sixth Form Centre.	11	10 – 30 mins
SUBJECT SPECIALIST SESSIONS	These specialist subject sessions, as selected by your school, are tailored to students progressing to A-Levels. Our experienced Sixth Form Centre staff can align these to your school curriculum, aiming to stretch your students' abilities. Can be delivered at your school and/or at college.	10-11	60 mins

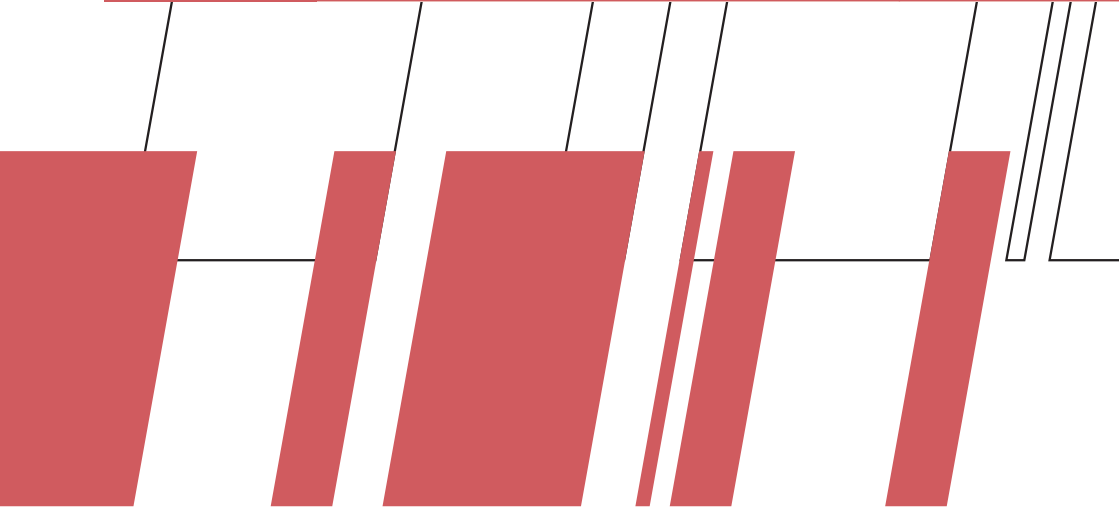
Session type	Group size	Gatsby benchmarks
Presentation	Whole year group or tutor group	7
Interactive session	Tutor groups or small groups	5, 7
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Interactive session	Students and Parents	7

A-LEVELS

Session type	Group size	Gatsby benchmarks
Presentation	Whole year group or tutor group	7
Interactive session	Tutor groups or small groups	4, 7

HIGHER EDUCATION

Title	Description	Year group	Duration
INTRO TO VOCATIONAL DEGREES	Helping students to understand the options available after Sixth Form, by highlighting the variety of routes into higher education and providing an insight into the range of degrees on offer at our University Centre.	12 & 13	10 – 30 mins
HE ROADSHOW	Informal sessions offering advice and guidance about Higher Education programmes available at our University Centre. These sessions can be tailored to support students who are undecided about their next steps.	12 & 13	Flexible
SUBJECT SUPPORT	Our lecturers at the University Centre are always on hand to run subject specific and bespoke sessions at your College or Sixth Form.	12 & 13	60 mins
EXPERIENCE HE TASTERS	The event introduces students to our higher education offer and fantastic facilities. Students will take part in a taster session in their chosen subject area, having the opportunity to chat with our lecturers and students.	12 & 13	Half day



Session type	Group size	Gatsby benchmarks
Presentation	Whole year group or tutor group	7
Information, advice & support	1-2-1 or small groups	7
Interactive session	Small groups	7
Taster session	Bookable as individuals or small groups	4, 7

EXPLORE NCD

Year group	Duration	Session type	Group size	Gatsby benchmarks
9	Full day	Tasters & interactive sessions	Small group	2, 3, 4, 7

This series of events aims to change perceptions and inspire more young people to join a variety of industries. These fun, informative and practical sessions highlight the extensive array of opportunities and careers available.

- >> Careers into Engineering
- >> Careers into Construction
- >> Careers into Health Care
- >> Careers into Early Years

Dates: TBC

Times: 10:00am - 2:00pm

DISCOVER NCD

Year group	Duration	Session type	Group size	Gatsby benchmarks
10	2 hours	Interactive activities Campus tour	Up to whole year group	7

We are delighted to invite your year 10 students into college for our new Discover NCD event. The event is a fun way to discover what New College Durham has to offer and help your students to decide about their next steps after year 11.

During the event, they will have the opportunity to:

- >> take part in a campus tour
- >> meet our experienced tutors
- >> discover the exciting range of programmes available
- >> find out about student life

Dates: June 2022

Times: AM Session – 9.30-11.30

PM Session – 12.30-2.30

EXPERIENCE NCD

Year group	Duration	Session type	Group size	Gatsby benchmarks
11	9.30 - 2.30	Tasters & interactive sessions	Small group	2, 3, 4, 7

These subject specific tasters aim to prepare year 11 students for their transition from school to college, raising awareness of career opportunities within a variety of industries. Our Experience NCD events will provide practical and classroom-based sessions, together with the opportunity to chat with college staff and receive careers support.

Experience NCD will focus on different subject areas, as listed below:

- » A-Levels
- » Health and Life Sciences
- » Early Years and Education
- » Sport and Uniformed Services
- » Plumbing, Construction and Motor Vehicle
- » Mechanical Engineering and Electrical
- » Hair, Beauty, Catering and Travel
- » Media and Performing Arts
- » Digital and Creative Arts

Dates: Every Wednesday,
November – December 2022

Times: 9.30-2.30pm



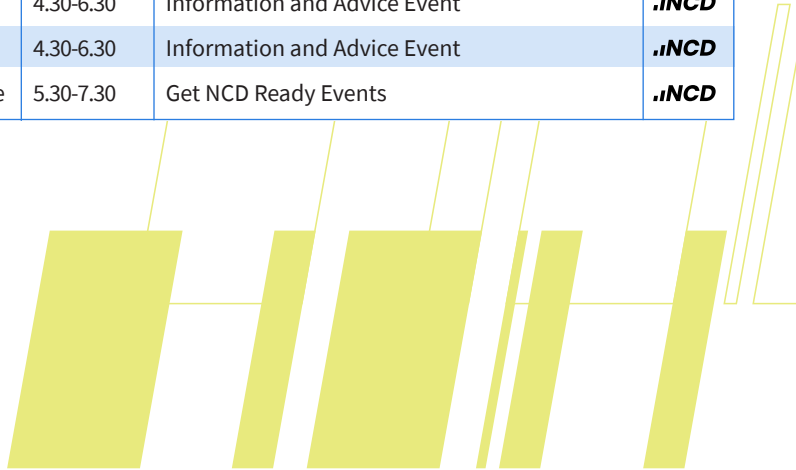
SCHOOL STAFF INFORMATION SESSIONS

Our school staff CPD sessions are aimed at both Teachers and Careers Leads to provide up-to-date information and advice to inform students of the progression routes available. These could be delivered in school, college or virtually.

Session topics can include:

- » Vocational programmes
- » Apprenticeships (including higher apprenticeships)
- » T-levels
- » A-levels
- » Higher Education, including vocational and foundation degrees
- » Subject Overviews

Date	Time	Event	
Tue 4th October	10.30-1.00	Information and Advice Event NCD Uni Special	.iNCD
Sat 15th October	10.30-1.00	A Level Open Day (Year 11)	.iNCD
Tue 1st November	4.30-6.30	Information and Advice Event T-Level Special	.iNCD
Tue 6th December	4.30-6.30	Information and Advice Event	.iNCD
Fri 3rd February	10.00-2.00	Highways Industry Event	.iNCD
w/c 6th February	tbc	National Apprenticeship Week	Schools
Tue 7th February	4.30-6.30	Information and Advice Event Appren. Special	.iNCD
Sat 11th February	10.30-12.00	A Level Open Day (Year 11)	.iNCD
Sat 4th March	10.30-12.00	Support Services Open Day	.iNCD
Tue 7th March	4.30-6.30	Information and Advice Event	.iNCD
Tue 3rd May	4.30-6.30	Information and Advice Event	.iNCD
Tue 6th June	4.30-6.30	Information and Advice Event	.iNCD
Mon 26th - Wed 28th June	5.30-7.30	Get NCD Ready Events	.iNCD



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