



Careers Support available Wigston Academy



Vision Statement

To ensure all young people are equipped to make the right decision for *their* best next step.

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Key Decision Points

Support for families

Year 11

Mock Interview (Jan) – Preparations for College Interviews

Post 16 Application (Oct-December)

Personal Statements – Constructing a personal statement. What is should contain and what activities help to make an effective statement

Open Evenings/Careers Fairs – How to make the best of open evenings to make an informed choice

Year 10

Meet the employer- Opportunity to meet a range of different employers to promote thought about potential career choices

Work Experience – 1 week; Experience the real-world of work. Link to future careers and develop employability skills

Xello – chance to reflect on students' preferences and how this might impact on future career options

Post 16 – What are the options after year 11 – including apprenticeships and vocational options

Year 9

Work Shadowing (Nov) – one day to experience the world of work and develop employability skills

GCSE Options (Nov-Feb) Decision Making - GCSE Option Choices

- **Xello** – Preparation for Option Choices
- **Options Workshops** – in PSHCE
- **Options Interviews** – Are students aware of the options. Have they considered all options to decide what is best for them

Post 16 – Develop knowledge and understanding of post 16 options.

- What are the different options –
 - What does Vocational Mean? What about T-levels?
 - What is an Apprenticeship?

Year 8

Employment Sectors – Increase knowledge of range of employment sectors

Post 16 – Introduction to options

Xello – Spend time discovering learning pathways and different learning styles

The Local Labour Market – the sectors with the most opportunities in Leicester and Leicestershire

Year 7

What is Careers education?

- What is included, it is so much more than just talking about jobs

Take your child to work day and Employability skills

- One day in June to be able to experience the world of work and develop employability skills
- What they are, how to develop these skills, the kinds of opportunities available to help develop skills

Xello

- Introduction to Xello, what it is and how it can be used to start thinking about your future

Year 11

Results Day Information (July) – including support available
Careers fair invite (March)

- Invite for students, parents and carers and what to focus on

Preparation for Mock Interviews (Jan) – How to support students
Parent Information Evening

Post 16 Options - Information provided, including apprenticeships

Post 16 Application Process – How to support students, information on dates of local open evenings.

National Careers Week

Year 10

Meet the Employer June

- What is involved
- What parents and carers can do to help students prepare

Careers Fair (March)

- Invite for students alongside parents and carers
- What the focus should be to benefit from the event

Parent information Evening – Focus on Work Experience, Why it is important, how parents and carers can support

National Careers Week

Year 9

Parent Information Evening, Yr 9 Parents' Eve – Option choices

Decision Making (November) – information shared with parents and carers on decision making process

Careers Fair Invite (March) – what the focus should be for any year 9 students and how parents and carers can support

National Careers Week

- Information for parents and carers for discussing career and further education with children

Work Shadowing – support children to be able to experience the world of work

Year 8

Introduction to Careers Fair (March)

- What is a careers fair?
- Why should parents and carers attend?
- What information will students be able to explore?

National Careers Week

- Information for parents and carers – ideas to discuss with students regarding careers options and next steps

Year 7

Parent Information Evening

- What is careers education

National Careers Week

- Information for parents and carers on how to discuss careers and opportunities with children – how to discuss career options with children

Take your child to work

- Support available and why it's important to experience the world of work

Helping every young person find their best next step.