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Choices Programmes

The Choices programmes meet the needs of students by offering an individually tailored programme, within a structured curriculum. The programme uses appropriate teaching strategies, age appropriate activities, language, materials and learning aids to enhance and develop the cognitive learning of the student.

E2 Introduction to College

This course offers young people a gentle introduction to college life and further education. The course is designed to improve confidence, encourage personal development and help learners to strengthen the skills required for learning and life. Following a holistic curriculum that appeals to all learning styles, lessons will focus on topics such as building resilience, building self-esteem and the development of essential skills including Communication, Numeracy and ICT.

Throughout the course learners will be encouraged to take ownership of their own learning pathway. They will engage in activities to promote team, reflective, independent and creative learning skills, forming a base of valuable, transferable skills that can be adopted throughout learning, work and life.

Mixture of traditional classroom lectures, vocational experiences and off-site activities.

Entry requirements:.

You will need to attend an informal interview, undertake a College assessment and be working at a minimum of E2 in Communications and Application of Number. You must have the long term aim of going onto a level 2 vocational course or supported work.

We develop skills for employment through various vocational sectors, including: retail, business enterprise projects, volunteering opportunities and community projects.

Students will also study Maths and English at a level that matches their ability. This can range from Entry 1 to GCSE.





E3 Preparation for Supported Internship and Employment

The topics you cover will include:

- Social skills and personal presentation for the workplace
- Travel training and personal safety
- Careers information and job profiling
- Work taster including areas of retail, catering, administration and horticulture
- An individual work placement
- Volunteering and team enterprise projects
- Communication and IT skills
- Money, time and number skills for work
- You will work towards the outcomes identified in your EHCP plan. Your tutor will work closely with you to help you plan your individual targets.

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Students must be:

- Keen to progress into work
- Willing to accept new challenges
- Have already shown a commitment to excellent attendance and timekeeping

Supported Internship

Supported internships are a structured study programme based primarily at an employer. They enable young people aged 16-24 with a statement of SEN, or an Education, Health and Care plan to achieve sustainable paid employment by equipping them with the skills they need for work, through learning in the workplace. Supported internships are unpaid, and last for a minimum of six months. Wherever possible, they support the young person to move into paid employment at the end of the programme. Alongside their time at the employer, young people complete a personalised study programme which includes the chance to study for relevant substantial qualifications, if appropriate, and English and maths

Entry requirements:.

There are no formal entry requirements but it is only accessible for internal learners with an EHCP. All you need to do is have an interview to make sure that the course is right for you and that your support needs can be met before being offered a place. Students must be:

- Keen to progress into work
- Willing to accept new challenges
- Have already shown a commitment to excellent attendance and timekeeping
- Be able to respond and follow employer instructions



