



St Helens College School Liaison Services



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St Helens College's School Liaison Team work in collaboration with schools, colleges and education advisory services across the Northwest. We promote choice and opportunities to young people, as they begin to explore their options and make that all important decision about their future upon leaving school.

With this, we aim to help you inform and support the aspirations of your students, ensuring that they are making the right choices to achieve their career goals. St Helens College's provision is diverse - we offer a wide range of Vocational/BTEC courses and Apprenticeships.

Throughout this booklet, you will find a range of bespoke, engaging activities, events and services, that can be tailored to meet your requirements, from VIP tours, industry experience sessions and careers events to mock interview workshops and assembly presentations.

We welcome the opportunity to talk to you about your own specific requirements.

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WHAT WE OFFER

St Helens College can work with schools to help develop a bespoke careers programme. We already offer various services that schools can access in order to hit the required Gatsby Benchmarks. Assemblies can also be delivered virtually via Microsoft Teams/Zoom.

Gatsby Benchmarks for schools

1. A stable careers programme
2. Learning from career and labour market information
3. Addressing the needs of each student
4. Linking curriculum learning to careers
5. Encounters with employers and employees
6. Experiences of workplaces
7. Encounters with further and higher education
8. Personal guidance

School Liaison Services	Benchmarks Met
<p>Unifrog Workshops</p> <p>Unifrog is an online tool, designed to help students make an informed choice about their future. It provides the most current local information on salaries, employment and associated education and training.</p> <p>Students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify what strengths and key skills they have• Identify career options and conduct research• Build a career action plan that maps out the steps needed to achieve their goals• Tackle gender stereotyping with profiles of women in STEM and men in childcare, teaching and nursing roles.	2/4/5
<p>Successful Student Alumni</p> <p>We can provide profiles of previous students from your school, who have progressed to St Helens College and/or University Centre St Helens, for you to display in careers areas, showcasing their success and aspirations for the future. We can also arrange for the students to talk to your current students about their experience and transition from school to college, including the importance of gaining English and maths at GCSE level.</p>	3/4/5/7



<p>Healthcare Sciences Skills Show</p> <p>Our Healthcare Sciences Skills Show takes place each year during British Science Week. It is a fantastic opportunity for students to gain first-hand insight from employers (including spotlight speakers), colleges and universities. This event highlights how science and technology is vital in modern patient care and the unlimited career opportunities available within such an exciting sector. Your students will have the opportunity to make dental mould impressions, view a live heart dissection and explore how the respiratory system works. Schools are welcome to take photographs of their own students taking part in various activities and speaking to the exhibitors. We can also provide schools with a certificate of attendance.</p> <p>University Centre St Helens Taster Day</p> <p>This event provides a fantastic opportunity for your students to become inspired and passionate about studying at a higher level. As part of the day, students will attend a range of interactive discovery sessions in subjects of interest, as well as sessions on academic writing and personal statement development.</p>	<p>4/5/7</p>
<p>St Helens College Assembly Presentations</p> <p>We can deliver tailored presentations, covering a variety of topics such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The value of apprenticeships• The practical ways of working with vocational courses• University Centre St Helens• Dedicated student support• Outstanding facilities and student experience	<p>5/7/8</p>

School Event Support

The School Liaison Team are happy to attend school events such as Careers Fairs, Options Evenings and Parents Evenings to provide information, advice and guidance to students and/or parents about the range of opportunities available to them after leaving school. This includes industry growth updates, course options and career pathways.

Taster Sessions

Taster sessions are designed to inspire and inform students about the exciting opportunities available to them at College, with interactive and practical sessions across all curriculum areas and a tour of our facilities. Sessions can be customised to meet individual school requirements.

Apprenticeship Ready Workshops

Competition for apprenticeships is fierce, which is why we can deliver Apprenticeship Ready Workshops to your students at school or at St Helens College. We can provide information about apprenticeships across a wide range of industries, help them to create profiles on NAS and conduct vacancy searches. We also offer confidence building and self-promotion techniques to help students to create an impressive CV and deliver an outstanding interview.

Application/Interview Booking Workshops

To help with the process of submitting an application to St Helens College, the School Liaison Team are happy to deliver application and interview booking workshops during lunchtime, after school or at whatever time suits you.

Mock Interview Workshops

We understand that attending an interview can be a nerve-racking experience for young people, especially if they are unsure of what to expect. We can arrange informative and realistic mock interviews aimed at helping them to feel confident and prepared for the real thing.

Access to an Independent Careers Adviser (Paul Whitehead)

Our independent and impartial Careers Adviser can provide advice and guidance to help students make an informed decision about their education and career. The Careers Adviser can also provide support with CV writing and mock interview sessions.



Our students often say to us that they found an Open Event incredibly helpful. We would like to encourage your students to take their advice and join us at one of our Open Events.

This is the perfect opportunity for them to interact with our tutors, and discover more about our impressive courses, explore our facilities and experience student life.

THURSDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2021	5PM-7PM
THURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2021	5PM-7PM
THURSDAY 10TH FEBRUARY 2022	5PM-7PM
THURSDAY 23RD JUNE 2022	5PM-7PM

Please visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/openevents for further details



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“Over the past year, Hope Academy have worked closely with St Helens College, developing close links to support our students with their transition post GCSEs. I hope this year we can enhance our links with St Helens College and give our students all the opportunities they need to progress onto the course that best suits their individual needs and qualities. It has been a real pleasure to work with the School Liaison Team and I look forward to continuing to work with them this year.”

Charlie Wignall
Careers Advisor at Hope Academy

“St Helens College have worked with us to provide quality advice and guidance to our pupils through structured careers events such as our Digital Careers Evening and taking part in ‘World of Work Day.’ This helps us to address the Gatsby Benchmarks for CEIAG in making sure that students are fully informed about post-16 provision and their choices going forward. Our students find the School Liaison Team very approachable, friendly and professional.”

Ruth Hugill
Assistant Headteacher/CEIAG and KS4-5 Transition
at Golborne High School

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