



Year 11 Post 16 Pathways 2020

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You are probably considering where you will be in 12 months' time – at work, college, 6th Form or completing an apprenticeship.

Over the next few weeks we will be offering careers guidance meetings and you will be exploring your careers and post 16 interests through **Fast Tomato** in both tutorial and PD Day sessions.

Below are the destinations of Hastings students for the past 3 years:

	Destinations (% of Hastings students)		
	2018	2019	2020
North Warwickshire & South Leicestershire College	31	26	31.5
John Cleveland 6 th Form	28	8	21.4
King Edwards College (Nuneaton)	15	32	21.4
The Oaks 6 th Form (Bosworth)	0.5	15	17
Brooksby Melton College	5.1	4.8	4
Other	5.1	2	4
Apprenticeship	5.6	4.8	3.6
Leicester College	1	1	3
St. Thomas Moore (Nuneaton)	0	1	3
Warwickshire Collge Group (Rugby)	0	0	2
Armed Forces	2.3	1	1
Lutterworth College	2	2	1
Higham Lane (Nuneaton)	1	2.4	1

Different providers will have different entry requirements for the courses that they offer. Generally speaking, students studying A Levels attend a local 6th Form College, such as The Oaks, JC6 or KECS. Students seeking a more vocational/work related learning pathway attend NWSLC, Leicester College, WCG or for more land or animal based studies, BMC.

The entry requirements for A Levels vary from provider to provider, but broadly speaking, applicants will require a minimum of grade 5 in their chosen subjects, and also in English & Mathematics. This does vary from provider to provider and you must check the provider's own entry requirements for the courses they offer.

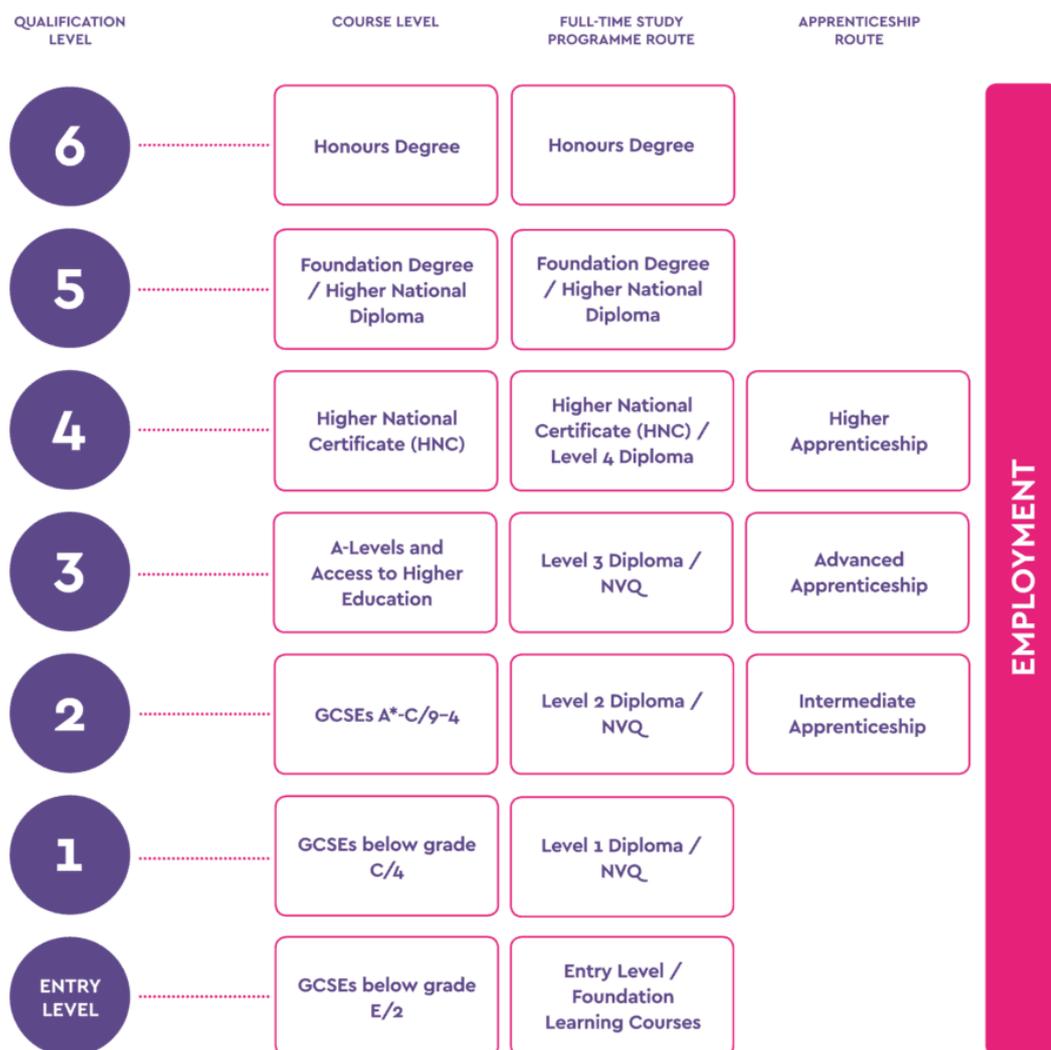
More vocational courses at local colleges offer a variety of qualifications at various levels of entry – there is usually something is available for everyone. The tables on the next pages provides an overview of the levels of courses and general entry requirements.

Apprenticeships offer a blend of employment based learning and college attendance, although this is dependent upon the apprenticeship on offer. Some colleges offer apprenticeship based courses, or students can self-place. Students can find out about locally available apprenticeships available on <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch> and also local vacancies are posted in school on the Apprenticeship and LMI noticeboard in school.

T Levels are a new Level 3 qualification that offers college and work based learning. These are very new and locally are only available from September 2021 at Leicester College.

Links to all local providers, and apprenticeship information is contained within the Post 16 section in the students tab on the Hastings website.

Education Pathways – Post 16 and beyond



Depending on your skills and knowledge, some programmes may require you to join at Level 1/2.

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QUALIFICATION	LOCAL PROVIDERS	DESCRIPTION	LENGTH OF TIME	ASSESSMENT	LEVEL OF STUDY	AWARDS UCAS POINTS?	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS	WORK EXPERIENCE	WHAT DOES IT LEAD TO?
A Levels	(JC6, The Oaks, KECS, St Thomas Moore, Higham Lane, WCG)	An academic qualification, similar in style to GCSE's that prepares you for further study	2 Years	Mostly exams at the end of the course	3	Yes	For individual schools and colleges to decide (commonly 5 GCSE's at grade 5+ and above)	No	*Apprenticeship *University/College *Work
Technical/ Vocational Qualifications (BTEC/NVQs)	(NWSLC, WCG, Leicester College, a few on offer at 6th Forms – see prospectuses for details)	Qualifications which teach you how to do tasks specifically related to the industry and role you want to be in	Course dependent	Course dependent (Coursework & exams)	1+	Some (course & awards organisation dependent)	Course dependent	Course dependent	*Apprenticeship *College *Work
APPRENTICESHIPS https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/#	Some vocational courses have apprenticeship elements. Otherwise check the Careers notice board or search the YouGov website	"Earn while you learn". A real job with training and a salary.	1 Year minimum	Apprenticeship dependent (Inc. demonstrations, presentations and/or exams)	2/3	No	*Employer dependent *Age 16+ *Evidence of interest and ability to complete	Yes (paid job, with at least 20% off the job training)	*Higher level or degree apprenticeship *University/College *Work
T Levels (New from September 2021)	Limited courses available at Leicester College from September 2021. (Other providers have not indicated they will be offering them from 2021).	A technical study programme, equivalent to 3 A Levels, with an industry placement that makes up 20% of the course. T Levels are designed to give you the skills that employers need.	2 Years	Exams, projects and practical assignments	3	Yes	Set by each course provider/college	Yes (80% classroom, 20% work)	*Apprenticeship *University/College *Work

FAQs

- What if I am unsure I will get the grades I need to get onto a course?

Always have a plan B. You can apply to as many 6th Forms and colleges as you wish. However, remember that you will have to attend an interview (probably online/virtual this year). These generally occur in the spring term.

- Are there open days or events?

Only a few providers are holding open days this year – you will most likely need to book them directly through the college, and places will be very limited due to COVID restrictions. In place of open days, most providers will be providing virtual tours and presentations online. We will be promoting these when they become available, and provide links to each provider's webpage on the Hastings website. Additionally, we have had a bespoke video about Apprenticeships produced for us by the National Apprenticeship Service. There is a link to this on our website in the Post 16 section.

- How do I get to college?

Most 6th Forms and colleges offer transport or have public transport links. There is usually a cost associated with getting to and from college. Please check with the provider for their transport offer and information.

- How do I apply for a course?

You will need to apply online directly to the provider via their applications system. Most involve completing an online application form. It will be useful to have your Personal Statement, CV and a copy of your last report on hand as you will need to list your target grades and personal strengths. Once you have applied most providers contact us at Hastings for a tutor reference. We will be checking that you have applied for a place by Christmas. Remember, always have a Plan B in case you do not get your primary choice.

- When do I need to apply by?

At Hastings we aim to get all students to apply for courses by Christmas. This means that you are more likely to get on the courses that you want, and aren't worrying about Post 16 applications in the run up to the exams! However, The Oaks Academy usually complete their applications by the end of November.

- How will I be interviewed?

Interviews will most likely be online, by telephone or virtual via zoom or similar web based platforms this year. Interviews will generally take place in the spring term. Whenever your interview is – don't miss it!

- I haven't got a clue what to do....help!

If you have no idea on what to do don't panic! It's normal! We will be providing one to one careers guidance meetings in the Autumn Term with a careers advisor to assist you. If you have a specific careers in mind, this will also ensure that you are on the correct pathway. We do advise that you do look at potential university courses related to your career choice, and reflect on your Post 16 options to see if they are appropriate.

- How will I know if my application has been successful?

You should receive confirmation of you application and then be invited to attend an interview. Commonly you will then be offered a conditional offer based upon your results. If you do not hear from the provider, please contact them to check that your application has been received.

- I'm moving away out of the local area. What do I do?

You will still need to apply for a college or apprenticeship course in the area you are moving to. See Mr. Bonser for help!

- Which is the best 6th Form for attainment?

Performance data of 6th Forms and colleges can be compared on the governments compare school performance website <https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/schools-by-type?step=default&table=schools®ion=all-england&for=16to18>

Below is an overview of the published 2019 performance tables for local A Level colleges most likely to be attended by Hastings students (2020 tables are not available at this time).

School or college name	Type of school or college	Number of students with an A level exam entry	Progress score & description	Average result		Students completing their main study programme	Achieving AAB or higher, including at least 2 facilitating subjects	Grade and points for a student's best 3 A levels
				Grade	Point score			
St Thomas More Catholic School and Sixth Form College	Academy	107	Above average 0.29	B-	35.50	93.8%	13.4% 67 students included in measure	B 39.40 67 students included in measure
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Bosworth Academy	Academy	157	Above average 0.26	B-	35.05	95.0%	23.1% 130 students included in measure	B- 36.51 130 students included in measure
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Higham Lane School	Academy	95	Average -0.04	C+	32.25	93.6%	11.8% 76 students included in measure	C+ 34.08 76 students included in measure
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Lutterworth College	Academy	185	Below average -0.13	C	30.46	96.3%	8.1% 136 students included in measure	C 30.69 136 students included in measure
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Hinckley Academy and John Cleveland Sixth Form Centre	Academy	184	Below average -0.16	C	29.01	83.2%	10.6% 104 students included in measure	C 30.29 104 students included in measure
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King Edward VI College Nuneaton	College	495	Below average -0.39	C-	27.15	91.4%	6.8% 352 students included in measure	C- 26.36 352 students included in measure
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England - state-funded schools / colleges		247995	0.00	C+	32.87	91.3%	14.1%	C+ 32.89
England - all schools / colleges		283528	0.00	C+	34.01		16.5%	C+ 33.96

Post 16 pathways provider offers (September 2020)

Provider	Date	Content
Apprenticeships		Apprenticeship introductory video on school website. Search for apprenticeships on: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch Look at the school careers board for local vacancies.
NWSLC	14 th October 25 th November 27 th January	Virtual Tour events 6-8pm Free but need to register. First 100 to register get free VR glasses! https://www.nwslc.ac.uk/events/virtual-open-event-october-2020/
Leicester College	13-15 th October	Virtual Tour events 4-8pm Free but need to register. Campus tours available between Oct and Jan but booking essential https://leicestercollege.ac.uk/about/news-and-events/events/open-event-october-2020/
The Oaks 6 th Form (Bosworth)	TBC	A virtual presentation is available at http://www.bosworthacademy.org.uk/sixthform-virtual-open-event-2020/
JC6	TBC	https://www.hajc.leics.sch.uk/
KECS	TBC	No events at time of press https://kecnuneaton.ac.uk/ But a college insight is available on https://kecnuneaton.ac.uk/virtual-open-event-april-2020/
BMC	31 st October	BMC are offering a virtual open day. Free but registration is essential https://www.brooksbymelton.ac.uk/events/vod-brooksby/ Open evening tours are bookable in January.
WCG	Tours 7 & 14 th October 17 th Nov Virtual tours	Evening tours are bookable in Rugby during October but places are very limited. A virtual event is being held in November. https://wcg.ac.uk/page/41/rugby-college-open-events to book and to find out more
Post 18 Pathways and University Fairs		
Meet the Russell group	7 th October	https://russellgroup.vfairs.com/ Free but need to register. The Russell group are the UKs 24 leading Universities.
UK University Fair East Midlands	14 th October	https://ukuniversitysearch-east.vfairs.com/ For Post 18 courses. Free to attend but registration required
UK & Apprenticeship search fair	12 th March 2021	https://www.ukuniversitysearch.com/fair-signup/leicester-spring-2021 Free event but booking required