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Our Expectations

We aim to support every learner to develop their knowledge, skills and behaviours to allow them to progress on to either the next level of study, an apprenticeship, higher education or employment.

We will do this by developing their:

- Knowledge of their chosen sector
- The skills needed to be successful to progress
- The behaviours that employers are looking for and those that will support them to be the best that they can be

We expect 100% punctuality and attendance, any time off can have a negative effect on progression and may affect bursary support.

We expect all learners to behave professionally at all times and demonstrate respect and courtesy for others.

We expect all learners to be ready to learn with the correct resources.

We expect all learners to wear their ID badge at all times.

Learner Expectations

Our learners can study in a safe environment to allow them to develop and succeed in life

We will do this by:

- Building confidence, resilience and self-worth
- Offering a blended learning approach
- Access to world class employers
- Completion of work-related activities, work experience and placements both local and international
- Opportunities to take part in competitions including inter-college and World Skills
- Work with the local community on charity events, fundraisers, local projects and trips / visits
- Access to an extensive pastoral support and health and wellbeing services and activities
- Access to impartial careers advice and guidance including writing CV's, Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) applications and interview techniques
- Learner voice

Communication with parents / carers

We will contact you in various ways throughout the course of your child's study.

We will do this by:

- Information briefings
- Parent reports three times per year
- Parents evenings - November and March
- Half termly safeguarding newsletter
- Access to workshops on a variety of topics including UCAS, Finance and supporting your child's studies
- Invitations to exhibitions, performances and celebrations of success
- Access to adult learning and distance learning courses

We have an open door policy and you can contact us or visit us at anytime.

We need your up to date contact details to make sure you receive all of your child's information allowing you to track their progress.

Curriculum

Most 16-18 learners will enrol onto a study programme, which consists of the following:

- Induction to their programme and the college community
- Vocational qualification
- English and maths
- Tutorial
- Work experience
- Enrichment programme
- Independent study
- Bootcamps / catch-up sessions

Induction

The programme will start with a six week induction which will include:

- An introduction to the course including assignment, projects and work-related activities
- Team building activities
- An assessment schedule
- Starting point assessment
- A one-to-one target setting review

If at any point your child changes their mind within the first six weeks, they will be able to access our *Swap Don't Drop* support to look at their options and have a taster(s) in another area until they find a course more suited to them.

Vocational qualification

All of our tutors have expert knowledge of the vocational subjects they teach along with access to world class employers.

They use this expert knowledge to deliver exciting, informative sessions that develop your child's knowledge and skills required for their next step.

The work that your child will receive will be demanding with deadlines that must be achieved, but this will ensure they build and acquire the necessary skills, improving on what they already know and can do.

All teaching, learning and assessment is built towards an end goal to prepare learners to progress on to the next level of study, higher education or employment.

English and maths

English and maths are vital for your child to achieve with their studies and in employment.

If your child has not yet achieved a grade 4 we can support them to get there.

It is vitally important that your child attends their English and / or maths sessions.

The sessions will work on their gaps in understanding and prepare them to sit their exam either in November or June.

We offer catch-up coaching sessions throughout the academic year and revision classes during the half terms.

Tutorial

All learners are allocated a Progress Coach and Work Placement Co-ordinator who will support your child in a variety of ways:

- Monitor their attendance
- Track progress
- Provide personal support and any intervention to remove barriers affecting progress
- Support them to aim high
- Deliver a personal development programme on key themes such as Safeguarding, E-safety and Digital Citizenship
- Development of key employability skills
- Prepare learners for work placements

Enrichment

Whilst your young person studies with us, we will offer them a comprehensive enrichment programme to ensure they have the opportunity to develop their skills beyond the academic.

This will include:

- Themed events
- Social action projects
- Health & wellbeing
- Sport and fitness
- Inter-college competitions
- World skills
- Work-related projects and activities

Work experience

All 16-18 learners will develop their employability skills while studying with us.

Depending on their level of study, they will do this via:

- Support to find a work placement
- Employability sessions
- Work-related projects
- Guest speakers from industry
- Trips to employer premises
- World skills
- Erasmus scheme - international work experience in Belgium, Italy and Malta

Support for learners

We offer a comprehensive package of support for the learners that require it.

This includes:

- Financial support [Apply online for financial support](#) or collect a paper copy today
- Welfare, mentoring and counselling services
- Access to reflection rooms
- Information, advice and guidance
- Careers and employability support - managing their career

Special Educational Needs and Difficulties: Additional Support

We offer outstanding support for our learners.

This could include:

- Extra support in class
- One-to-one support to complete assignments
- Assistive technologies to support with independent learning
- Specialist support and personal care for learners with disabilities
- Sensory support for learners with hearing or visual impairments
- Mobility support
- Special arrangements for exams

Safeguarding

We are dedicated to ensuring learners are protected from harm and college provides a safe learning environment where abusive behaviours are not tolerated.

Our aim is to educate and promote personal responsibility for safety, health and wellbeing.

All learner devices are monitored as part of our safeguarding duty.

When there are situations that need our intervention then our highly trained safeguarding team act quickly, involving outside agencies when necessary to ensure our learners are safe.

We work closely with outside agencies such as social care, police and CAMHS to offer wrap around support to our learners and their families when required.

We are part of Operation Encompass, working with the local authority and the police, we are informed of any under 18 who has been a victim or witness to a domestic abuse incident.

If you have any concerns you can report directly to the Safeguarding Team via our confidential email address: safeguarding@rnngroup.ac.uk

Thank you