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Student Support Guide

Welcome

We hope this Electronic guide, pulled together by the Student Support Team, provides you insight into all the services in place and accessible to all students, to ensure you stay safe and feel supported whilst studying at college.

Our Colleges are dedicated to making sure our students receive the very best support possible to help them achieve their goals and prepare them for the world of employment or further study.

If you have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact us directly via email:
safeguarding@rnngroup.ac.uk

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Rotherham College
info@rotherham.ac.uk

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North Notts College
contact@nnc.ac.uk

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Dearne Valley College
learn@dearne-coll.ac.uk

Or for more information on our Colleges, please visit our websites:

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Rotherham College
www.rotherham.ac.uk

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North Notts College
www.nnc.ac.uk

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Dearne Valley College
www.dearne-coll.ac.uk

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Health and Wellbeing

Urgent Support

Samaritans

They are available 24-hours a day. You can talk to them about anything that's troubling you, no matter how difficult.

Call 116 123 for free.

Shout

Shout offers confidential 24/7 crisis text support for times when you need immediate assistance.

Text "SHOUT" to 85258.

Urgent NHS Mental Health Helpline

For urgent mental health support, **Call 111**

Contact our Safeguarding Team

Confidential Email Address

safeguarding@rnngroup.ac.uk

Telephone

01709 722722

Confidential Google Form

[Click to access the online form](#)

Every Mind Matters

This page that has links to organisations that can help you if you are in urgent crisis Urgent support.

Harmless

Harmless a national organisation that helps to support individuals at risk of self-harm or suicide.

0115 880 0280 or
[email support@harmless.org.uk](mailto:support@harmless.org.uk)

Papyrus Hopeline247

Papyrus Hopeline247 supports young people (Under 35's). If you are a young person at risk of suicide or are worried about a young person at risk of suicide:

UK Helpline

0800 068 41 41 or Text: 07860 039967

Email

pat@papyrus-uk.org (9am – 10pm weekdays, 2pm – 10pm weekends).

If you are concerned about yourself or someone else then please don't hesitate to contact a member of the Safeguarding Team. **The Designated Leads for each campus are:**

Rotherham College - Daniel Cornwell

North Notts College - Lynda Christie

Dearne Valley College - James Davenport

Safety Planning

Creating a Safety Plan

Safety planning can help to keep you safe if experiencing suicidal urges and feelings.

Samaritans

Samaritans have a useful tool to help you create a safety plan.

StayAlive app

Free suicide prevention resource for the UK, packed full of useful information and tools to help you stay safe in crisis. You can use it if you are having thoughts of suicide or if you are concerned about someone else who may be considering suicide.

RNN student college safety plan -

A personable plan to ensure students can stay safe whilst studying at college

[Click to download student safety plan](http://www.rnngroup.co.uk/urgent-support/)
www.rnngroup.co.uk/urgent-support/

What is Safeguarding and Mental Health?

Safeguarding

At the RNN Group, we are committed to safeguarding students. Your Health, safety and wellbeing are our priority.

The term safeguarding denotes measures to protect the health, well-being and human rights of individuals, which allow people—especially children, young people and vulnerable adults to live free from abuse, harm and neglect.

- Prevention of bullying and harassment
- Ensuring Safety and care
- Protection from abuse and neglect
- Promotion of health and development
- Ensuring the best life chances

Student Health Guide

This magazine guide is available for all students and provides a variety of information and self help guidance around current topics. The guide covers 6 core topics; mind, body, fuel, fitness, sex and life.

Visit www.studenthealthguide.co.uk to access the guide.

Mental Health

Mental health is a term that we use to describe our state of emotional wellbeing.

The more we take care of our mental health, the more we can cope with the activities and stress we come across in our daily lives.

Mental health is a complex thing. It's not our fault that it sometimes turns into a problem, and we can't always control this. However, there are lots of things we can do to reduce the negative ways this makes us feel and improve our wellbeing.

This could be reaching out for support from your GP or mental health and wellbeing support services outlined in this guide, or making some small lifestyle or habitual changes or exploring personal development or enrichment to add new hobbies or interests.

Wellbeing Workbook

We have pulled together a wellbeing workbook which includes more information around mental health conditions and useful activities to help manage these.

studentportal.rnngroup.ac.uk/resources/publications/

For more information and contacts please visit the Mental Health Support page on the Student Portal.

Mental Health Support

Internal Support

Mental Health First Aiders

Staff are trained in youth mental health first aid to help spot and support students that are struggling in and around college.

To spot a mental health first aider, look out for staff wearing a green lanyard.

Student College Nurse Practitioner

We have a trained nurse practitioner in place at college to further support students' physical and mental wellbeing.

Counselling

Students can also access confidential counselling support at college.

How to access wellbeing support:

Self-referral via email and completing the online referral form

Direct Links:

Rotherham College:

Email: RCmentoring@rnngroup.ac.uk
[Click for the Online Referral Form](#)

North Notts College:

Email: NNCmentoring@rnngroup.ac.uk
[Click for the Online Referral Form](#)

Dearne Valley College:

Email: DVCmentoring@rnngroup.ac.uk
[Click for the Online Referral Form](#)

24/7 Student mental health and counselling helpline:

Students can access unlimited counselling support and advice including financial, legal and medical information, 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Call: 0800 028 3766

Wisdom App

Through the Student Assistance Programme, students can access the Wisdom app which provides instant wellbeing support through live chat, telephone, and video call counselling, and wellbeing tools such as mood trackers, health plans, guided workouts, and meditation.

Download from any app store and use Code **MHA296113** when registering.

With Me in Mind -

www.rdash.nhs.uk/services/with-me-in-mind/

With Me in Mind provides therapeutic interventions to students aged 14-19, through one-to-one sessions and group workshops in college.

Mental Health Support

External Support

Kooth

Free online mental wellbeing community and support for young people (11-25 year olds), visit www.kooth.com to join.

Qwell

Free digital mental wellbeing Support for adults in Rotherham.

Talkzone (Notts)

Offering free mental health support and counselling to children and young people, aged 11-25 across Bassetlaw.

Call 01909530943,
text 07368323945,
email info@talkzone.org.uk

Mind

National mental health infoline:
0300 123 3393. Localised support for
Counselling, peer support, creative therapies
and information.

Nottinghamshire Mind: 0800 470 0203 or
email: admin@nottinghamshiremind.org.uk

Rotherham and Barnsley Mind: **01709 919929**
or email.contactus@rbmind.co.uk

Talking Therapies

Information about local NHS therapy services for certain mental health problems. You can self-refer but you must be registered with a GP and aged 16 or older.

Every Mind Matters

Support, tips and resources to help lift your mood or ease anxiety.

Campaign Against Living Miserably (CALM)

Call 0800 58 58 58 or **click here** for webchat (5pm till midnight)

Young Minds

provides support for children and young people's mental health, as well as help for parents and carers. **0808 8025544** (9.30 am-4 pm weekdays only)

Mindler

Digital CBT sessions
(7 days a week, 6am-11pm). available to 18+ and registered with a Rotherham GP.
www.iesohealth.com/areas/rotherham

Bereavement Support

CRUSE

Counselling for bereavement for children and adults via the telephone. Young people can visit the website '[Hope Again](#)'.

Email: helpline@cruse.org.uk

Telephone: 0808 1677

Listening Ear Bereavement Helpline Service

Offers 1 to 1 telephone support as well as practical support dealing with healthcare agencies and funeral companies for the South Yorkshire/Bassetlaw area.

Telephone: 0800 048 5224

Text: 0151 488 6648

Email: helpline@listening-ear.co.uk

Winston's Wish

Winston's Wish is a charity supporting children and young people who experience bereavement.

Eating Disorders Support

Beat Eating Disorders

National eating disorder helpline. (1pm – 9pm during the week, and 5pm–9pm on weekends and bank holidays.)

Telephone: 0808 801 0677

Email: help@beateatingdisorders.org.uk

Webchat: [Click here to access Webchat](#)

FREED Beeches (Notts)

Eating disorder support for adults and adolescents aged 14+

Telephone: 01909 479922

Email: info@freedbeeches.org.uk

South Yorkshire Eating disorders (SYEDA)

Support services for people with eating disorders and their carers.

Telephone: 0114 272 8822

email: info@syeda.org.uk

General Support for Young People

The Mix

The Mix – offers a wide range of support for anyone under 25. You can self-refer to their counselling service by [clicking here](#).

Helpline

0808 808 4994

Online Chat

[Click here to access Online Chat](#)

(4pm-11pm Monday to Friday).

Childline

Large range of information and support for children and young people aged 18 or below. For Help for bullying/Body image/Relationships/Families/School, College, work issues.

Telephone: 0800 1111

Physical Health

ChatHealth

ChatHealth is a confidential texting service offering 11-19 year olds confidential advice from our Healthy Family Teams.

Text: 07507 329952

Better Health

An NHS platform to help make healthy changes, whether you want to lose weight, drink less alcohol, get active or quit smoking.

Healthier Families

Healthier Families (previously known as Change4Life) provides help for families to eat well, move more and live longer.

Mens Health

In Sam's Name (Nottinghamshire)

Talking groups and support for Men

[Website: insamsname.org/](http://insamsname.org/)

Andy's Man Club (18+)

Free men's peer-to-peer support groups across the United Kingdom and online.

[Website: andysmanclub.co.uk/](http://andysmanclub.co.uk/)

Men who talk Free,

Online social groups helping men talk about what matters, without judgment.

[Website: menwhotalk.org/](http://menwhotalk.org/)

RotherHive

Practical information, support and advice around a range of wellbeing topics.

ABL Health (Nottinghamshire)

ABL (A Better Life) offering the Your Health Your Way service supports weight loss for children and families and smoking cessation for Nottinghamshire residents.

Rotherham Healthwave

A free service that helps the people of Rotherham to stop smoking, get more active, loose weight, and improve their overall health.

Telephone: 01709 718720

Talk Club

A talking and listening club for men, offering talking groups, sports groups and therapy to help keep you mentally fit.

[Website: https://talkclub.org/](https://talkclub.org/)

UK Men's Sheds Association

Men's Sheds encourage people to come together to make, repair and repurpose, supporting projects in their local communities.

[Website: menssheds.org.uk/](http://menssheds.org.uk/)

Physical Activity Exercise and Sport

It is recommended that adults spend 150 minutes exercising per week, including strength activities twice a week, yet less than half of college students follow this recommendation.

Aside from supporting your long-term health, getting in a good workout can aid in your studies. By working some movement into your routine, you can improve your mental health, boost your energy, and enjoy a restorative night of sleep.

Gyms

Students can access free or low-cost gyms and facilities (North Notts College and Dearne Valley College)

Enrichment

Students can access a range of enrichment activities and clubs whilst at college, such as table tennis, football etc.

Momentous football academy

We currently have a football academy available to all students at college, regardless of experience and ability.

Click to find out more about the football academy visit the Momentous Football Academy page
www.dearne-coll.ac.uk/momentous-football-academy/

AOC Sport

We are a part of the association of colleges (AOC) and offer sport taster sessions and friendly fixtures. If you want to know what you can get involved with, contact studentactivities@rnngroup.ac.uk

Also students can take part in the student leadership programme and take on an ambassador roles to help increase other students participation in sport. These roles include; wellbeing, inclusion, football and Rugby ambassadors.

For more information of how to get involved visit the Student Voice page.

Couch to 5k

A free app to help you gradually work up towards running 5km in just 9 weeks.

Parkrun

A free, community event where you can walk, jog or run 5k every Saturday morning.

To find an event and register, visit
Website: www.parkrun.org.uk

Couch to Fitness

Access free online workouts and exercise programmes through couch to fitness.

Local directories of services, clubs and activities

Rotherham Gismo

Website: rotherhamgismo.org.uk

Your Notts Directory

Website: www.yournottsdirectory.org.uk

Smoking, Drugs Alcohol, and Gambling Support

NHS Stop Smoking Services

Find your local stop smoking service that can offer you 1to1 support and smoking aids, to help you quit.

Substance Misuse Support

Change grow live offers advice and support covering alcohol, drugs, health and wellbeing, mental health support and stopping smoking.

Nottinghamshire: 0115 896 0798,

[Email: notts@cgl.org.uk](mailto:notts@cgl.org.uk)

South Yorkshire: 01709 917651 or

[email divert@cgl.org.uk or](mailto:email_divert@cgl.org.uk)

WhatsApp: 07407 107 890

Rotherham: 0808 1753981

[or click here for online referral.](#)

Frank

Frank offers honest information about drugs.

Telephone: 03001 236600 (24 hours a day)

Text: 82111

Drugfam

Support for families, friends and partners who have been affected by drugs and alcohol.

Telephone: 0300 888 3853 (9am - 9pm daily)

Addiction Family Support

Support for families, friends and partners who have been affected by drugs and alcohol.

Telephone: 0300 888 3853 (9am - 9pm daily)

Gamcare

0808 8020 1330 (24/7 helpline)

Gamblers Anonymous

Telephone: 0330 0940322

[Email: info@gamblersanonymous.org.uk](mailto:info@gamblersanonymous.org.uk)

Young Carers

A young carer is typically anyone under 18 who provides unpaid, regular support to a family member or friend who cannot manage without their help. This includes supporting with physical and personal care and doing practical tasks such as cooking, cleaning, and shopping.

If you believe you are a young carer it is important to reach out for support, to help manage your caring responsibilities alongside your personal and college life.

Family action (rotherham)

[Website:family-action.org.uk/services/young-carers-rotherham/](http://family-action.org.uk/services/young-carers-rotherham/)

[Email: youngcarersrotherham@family-action.org.uk](mailto:youngcarersrotherham@family-action.org.uk)

Telephone: 01709 224959

Notts young carers

[Website: www.youngcarersnotts.co.uk](http://www.youngcarersnotts.co.uk)

Additional support can be accessed via the mentors

Sexual Health

Period Products

Period products are available in the women's toilets across the colleges. Ask the site Wellbeing Mentor for further details or if you require your own supply. Alternatively email Email: safeguarding@rnngroup.ac.uk

Condoms

Free condoms are available from the Wellbeing Mentors and Welfare Officers across the colleges. For North Notts College a CCard service sign up is needed.

Pregnancy Testing

If you require a pregnancy test or pregnancy support, please speak to your wellbeing mentors or contact the safeguarding team.

Email: safeguarding@rnngroup.ac.uk

Telephone: 01709 722722

Sexual Health Services

For contraception, emergency contraception, pregnancy testing, STI checks, HIV care, general sexual health advice and support, psychosexual support and family planning support.

Find sexual health service near you

www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/sexual-health-services/

NHS Services

Sexual Health Services Nottinghamshire

For screening, treatment, information and advice, or ordering your own at home testing kit

Call: 0300 131 7010

Visit: www.sexualhealthnns.co.uk/

Yorkshire MESMAC

Sexual health clinic and testing for Rotherham.

Telephone: 01709 242202

or book online:

www.mesmac.co.uk

Shore

Shore is a platform for teenagers around sexual behavior. They have a large topic library and advice pages, as well as an anonymous email service.

Email: email.shorespace.org.uk

Brook

Provides wellbeing and sexual health information and support for young people.

Love Respect

Love Respect offers advice around spotting unhealthy relationship behaviours and what to do about it.

Abuse Support

Rape Crisis

Sexual assault/Rape support: 08085 002222, Click here for live chat:
247sexualabusesupport.org.uk

The Havens

Rape/sexual assault specialist support.
02032 996900,

Refuge

Refuge for women and children against domestic abuse. 0808 2000 247,

Womens Aid

For women and children against domestic abuse.

Mankind

For male victims of domestic abuse.
01823 334244

VS Victim Support

For support after a crime.
08081 689111

Relationships

Young Minds

offers support and advice around friendships
www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/coping-with-life/friends/

RAW

people (Rotherham based support for loneliness and isolation)
rawpeople.org.uk/

Student Assistance Programme

offers support with any relationship concerns.
Call 0800 028 3766

Act On It Now

a platform created by young people to expose toxic relationship patterns.
www.actonitnow.org.uk/

National Domestic Abuse Helpline

call: 0808 2000 247,
or live chat via nationaldahelpline.org.uk

National Centre for Domestic Violence

call: 0800 970 2070
or text: NCDV to 60777.
ncdv.org.uk

Hopian

supporting adults, young people and children affected by Domestic Abuse and Child

Sexual Exploitation in Rotherham.

call 0330 2020571
hopian.org.uk/

Diversity and Inclusion

National Bullying Helpline

Offers information and advice for anyone dealing with bullying.

Helpline: 0300 323 0169

Telephone: 0845 225 5787

(9am to 5pm Monday to Friday)

Strut Safe

Is a free phoneline you can call when walking home alone, where volunteers will be a friendly voice to keep you company and help you feel safe until you are through the door.

Telephone: 0333 335 0026

(Friday-Sunday, 7pm – 3am)

LGBTQ+ Foundation

Advice, support and information for the LGBTQ+ Community

Telephone: 0345 3 30 30 30

Being gay is OK

Provides advice and information for LGBTQ+ people under 25.

Mermaids

Mermaids provides family and individual support for gender diverse and transgender children and young people.

Telephone: 0808 801 0400 (Helpline open Monday to Friday, 9am to 9pm)

Galop

LGBT+ Young people support against violence and abuse.

Telephone: 0800 999 5428

TellMAMA

Support for victims of anti-Muslim hate.

Telephone: 0800 456 1226

Hate Crime

Find out more about different types of hate crime and report it.

Email: enquiries@report-it.org.uk

Victim Support

Support for anyone affected by crime, including offence and court information.

Telephone: 0808 1689 111

Muslim Youth Helpline:

Faith-linked, culturally sensitive, non-judgmental counseling. You can reach out via Muslim Youth Helpline Chat or call 0808 808 2008

Scope.

Provide practical information and emotional support for people with disabilities;

[Click to visit scope.org.uk](http://scope.org.uk)

LGBTQIA+ Society

At all colleges we have a student society that meet weekly to bring together LGBTQIA+ students. To find out when they meet, check out your student enrichment activity board or speak to your local Personal Development Coordinator.

Reflection Rooms

The Reflection Room is a place for spiritual refreshment and to assist the prayers of members of major religious traditions and situated in locations close to washing facilities.

It is also a place for reflection and meditation for those of all or no faith. The Reflection Room can be booked in advance or accessed on a drop-in basis if available by collecting the key from reception desks at each campus.

Learning Support

What is Additional Learning support (ALS)?

Action that is taken to provide support for learning that is over and above that which is usually provided.

ALS is provided to help learners access their education and make progress. The need for ALS arises from a Special Educational Need or Disability (SEND).

Examples include:

- Specific Learning Difficulties such as Dyslexia and Dyscalculia
- ADHD/ADD
- Autism Spectrum Conditions
- Physical Disabilities and Medical Conditions
- Visual or Hearing Impairments
- Mental Health Condition

Support Assessments

Will consider the needs of learner in class and around college. We will look at any diagnoses and support that the learner has had previously and make recommendations to support them to make progress. Support assessments benefit from input from parents/carers, tutors, previous school and other agencies who support the learner.

Support Recommendations

Support is implemented by a graduated response whereby actions are reviewed in the context of a growing picture of the learner's needs.

There are three levels of support that we provide:

Universal

Every classroom, every tutor, all learners

We ensure reasonable adjustments and adaptations are made for all learners, including modifying the teaching curriculum as required

Support at this level may include:

- A person-centred strategies such as task differentiation, visual aids, hand-outs
- Adapted resources
- Assistive technology
- Maths and English Coaching (currently available to 16-19 learners)
- Library Services
- Wellbeing Team e.g. mentors, counselling, MHFA, safeguarding
- Careers guidance
- Bursary support

Targeted

Most classrooms, every tutor, some learners

In addition to the above, if you have any additional SEND needs, we are able to provide targeted support to help with your studies.

Support at this level may include:

ALS plan identifying barriers to learning and making recommendations to remove these through 'assess, plan, do, review'

- Out of class LSA support
- Assistive technology
- Coloured backgrounds
- Exam Access Arrangements
- LSA in-class support (EHCP learners)
- Referrals to other professionals
- Aids and Adaptations

Specialist

Some classrooms, every tutor, few learners

We provide specialist intervention for learners with EHCP's or complex and high Needs. This is additional provision to enhance progress where Universal and Targeted Support are not enabling progress.

Support at this level may include:

- Personal Care
- Mobility support
- Regular involvement from other professionals
- BSL support
- Specialist equipment
- Modification of learning materials (e.g. Braille)

Exam Access Arrangements

Access arrangements are exam adjustments made for individual candidates, based on evidence of need and usual way of working. They exist to ensure all candidates have the same opportunity to be successful in their exams, and include reasonable adjustments for those candidates with a disability or learning difficulty.

Examples of Access Arrangements:

- Extra time
- Prompt
- Scribe
- Reader or computer reader
- Use of assistive technology
- Supervised rest breaks
- Modified Large print or braille exam papers
- Separate room

To get an access arrangement:

Your tutors will need to submit an application to the ALS team evidencing your need and your usual way of working. If you feel you need access arrangements, speak to your tutor well in advance of any up and coming exams.

An assessment of needs by a SEND Assessor will need to be completed and you may be asked to provide medical or diagnostic evidence. You will still need to go through this process if you had exam access arrangements at school.

To make a referral for an assessment email:

Rotherham Campus: als@rotherham.ac.uk

North Notts Campus: als@nnc.ac.uk

Deerne Valley Campus: als@dearne-coll.ac.uk

[Or click to access the ALS referral form.](#)

Library Services

The Library services offer a wide range of resources and support to enrich your college experience, skills and knowledge.

Some resources and support include:

- Academic resources; books, textbooks, journals, manuals etc...
- E-resources; E-books, E-journals, E-magazines, podcasts
- Computers, Laptop loans and print services
- Quiet and group study spaces
- Study skills support (research, assignment planning, academic writing, revision and referencing)

[More resources and support can be found on the library website by clicking here.](#)

Housing Support

If you are having housing or rent issues you should contact your local housing authority for support. This may include a referral to a local Foyer for accommodation.

Shelter

Shelter provides housing advice and has a helpline for emergencies.

Telephone: 0808 800 4444,

Depaul

Emergency supported accommodation for young people.

Roundabout

Supports young people who are either homeless or at risk of homelessness, providing advice and advocacy on housing options.

Helpline: 0800 1935222 / 0114 2536789

The Lighthouse Project

Provides adults support and housing for the homeless (none-emergencies).

Email: info@lighthousehomes.co.uk

British Red Cross

Refugee/asylum seekers housing support.

Telephone: 0114 2427385

Student Assistance Programme

Through the Student Assistance Programme, students can access financial, legal, immigration and housing support.

Telephone: 0800 028 3766

Financial Support

Free Breakfast

All students can get free tea and toast every morning at college (8am-10am)

Student Bursary Support

You can apply for bursary support, which offers a contribution towards the costs of you studying at college. Support includes meals, equipment, travel, childcare and hardship support.

Call 01709 722877 or

email bursary@rnngroup.ac.uk

[Click to apply for Bursary support at Rotherham College:](#)

[Click to apply for Bursary support at North Notts College:](#)

[Click to apply for Bursary support at Dearne Valley College](#)

Student Bus Service

[Click here for Rotherham Bus Service](#)

[Click here for North Notts Bus Service](#)

[Click here for Dearne Valley Bus Service](#)

Turn2us

Information for young people and adults on benefits, grants and other financial support you can access.

Student Discounts

Student discount once enrolled at college, all learners are able to purchase a TOTUM card online, which offers discounts when shopping, eating out, cinema and more. Applications are made online only with a suitable photograph.

Step Change

A national charity offering debt advice.

Call: 0800 138 1111

www.stepchange.org

National Debtline

call 0808 808 4000 or live chat via

nationaldebtline.org

Personal Development

Personal Development

Personal Development is a key part of your course at College. It gives you the opportunity to develop as an individual, enhance your professional skills, and gain insight. It will also support you alongside your chosen curriculum study programme.

We deliver a range of personal development opportunities, within curriculum or through the personal development team as we want our learners to leave College with a range of skills, qualities, knowledge and behaviours they will need to flourish in society.

These opportunities could include guest speakers or workshops which will highlight and develop knowledge on topics such as financial knowledge, mental health and staying safe. It can also include visits along with clubs and activities. We offer a range of activities and clubs across sites including different sports activities, gaming clubs such as Dungeons and Dragons and Student Union.

We have created a personal development calendar with termly themes and weekly focuses which frame the personal development agenda throughout the year.

For more information speak to the Personal Development Coordinators or email Studentactivities@rnngroup.ac.uk

Enrichment

Enrichment is a part of personal development which includes regular activities, clubs, sports and societies. Enrichment activities provide you with the opportunity to try new things, develop new skills and meet a variety of new people from your campus.

Enrichment activities can change from term to term and are individual to each college so keep an eye on the enrichment board in College to see what is available.

You can also visit the Student portal for more information about Personal Development events and your local enrichment timetable.

studentportal.rnngroup.ac.uk/student-support/enrichment

FREDIE

Our Colleges are committed to advancing Fairness, Respect, Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Engagement.

These form the groundwork for many of our events and topics and we continue to promote these themes throughout the year in all we do.

STUDENT VOICE

Student Voice

The voice of our learners is important to us. We use a variety of methods to collect student views throughout the year and feedback is regularly shared with managers and the Student Union, who take any action required.

Drop us a line or call to discuss something that is going well or needs addressing:

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Rotherham College

info@rotherham.ac.uk

01709 362111

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North Notts College

contact@nnc.ac.uk

01909 504500

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Dearne Valley College

learn@dearne-coll.ac.uk

01709 513355

If you are concerned about something please raise this with the appropriate tutor. If this does not resolve your concern, then we have a complaints procedure that you can follow. Forms are available at Student Services on all campuses or via college websites.

Student Union

Student Union gives students a voice, so that all learners have an equal say in decisions that affect their college life, represent their interests and views and promote and protect their welfare.

Each college has a Student Union committee. To find out who your local student committee members are, visit the Student Union page on the portal. We have a number of positions that we recruit to including Activities and Welfare Officer, Women's Officer and Minorities Officer. The Student Union will meet regularly to get involved in different activities across College and help ensure that all students voices are heard.

studentportal.rnngroup.ac.uk/student-support/student-union

Governors

In addition to the Student Union Committee, there are 2 elected student governors that represent the student body at the council of governors for RNN Group. They will meet with the Governors each half term to feedback student voice and ensure this is heard at the highest levels.

Course Representatives

Course Representatives play a key role in making sure the student voice is listened to and acted on. They're an important link between students, the Students' Union and Tutors, and can make a positive change to your course and learning. Course Representatives are elected by each course and meet with Curriculum Managers regularly to feedback any thoughts.

Careers Service

Careers Service

The careers service offers impartial and individual careers information, advice and guidance about your short and long term career plans.

The team offers 1to1 appointments (in person and virtual depending on your preference) to discuss potential options and pathways to support your career goals.

Contact or visit your local careers lounge or come along to any of the drop-in activities, events or workshops throughout the year.

RC - careerslounge@rotherham.ac.uk

NNC - careerslounge@nnc.ac.uk

DVC - careerslounge@dearne-coll.ac.uk

Work Experience and Industry Placements

Work Placements

Getting practical work experience can help to develop your skills and knowledge of the subject you are studying and it introduces you to the world of work, providing you with the real-life experience of what it is like to work in your chosen industry or career.

Gaining work experience will support your progression opportunities whether this be employment or further studies.

For more information contact your work placement coordinators on workexperience@rnngroup.ac.uk

International Placements (Turing Scheme)

The college has schemes in place that provide opportunities for learners to have an experience like never before including experiences such as; cultural visits, health and wellbeing activities plus much more!

Some countries that are part of the Turing Scheme include; France, Italy, Cyprus, Japan, Fiji and Bali. (please note these are subject to change)

for more information contact workexperience@rnngroup.ac.uk

Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Certification

Some courses will require you to have a DBS certificate so that you can participate in work placements. This may include Health and Social Care courses and Childcare courses.

For all students wishing to go on a placement, if a DBS is required the cost for the DBS certificate will be funded by College.

Please contact workexperience@rnngroup.ac.uk to arrange a DBS appointment. For this appointment you will be required to bring in several forms of identification which you will be advised about, prior to the appointment.

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