

## Summary of Support and Transition Information Received from Local FE Providers

### **Bury College:**

#### **Apprenticeships**

There are a number of live vacancies posted on Bury College's website. An apprenticeship programme provides you with a direct insight into the industry you would like to progress your career in. You will have the opportunity to earn a wage whilst gaining nationally recognised qualifications and training that helps to improve your career prospects.

Follow the link below to see apprenticeship vacancies:

<http://www.bcsolutions.co.uk/apprenticeships/apprenticeships-vacancies/>

If you would like any further information about the live vacancies, please do not hesitate to contact a member of our apprenticeship team on **0161 280 8200**.

#### **Applications and admissions**

Bury College are still accepting applications. In order to support any student wishing to apply, we have created a video which guides students through the step by step process of completing an online application and can be accessed using the following link:

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=wO7t8joJEf0>

Course information can be found by downloading the latest copy of the Bury College Prospectus on our website.

Interviews are being conducted over the telephone.

Finally, we would like to reassure anyone student who has applied to study at Bury College that your place is secure and we look forward to welcoming you in the new academic year.

#### **Supported transition**

Bury College are currently running a question and answer campaign for high school students to encourage them to ask any questions they may have, whether about their application, interview, starting college or a course specific question.

Students can submit a question through our social media channels



or they can send their question to [ask@burycollege.ac.uk](mailto:ask@burycollege.ac.uk) and one of our experienced members of staff will aim to answer their question as soon as possible.

A reminder that the ***Be Bury College Ready*** is live on the Bury College website and can be accessed here: <https://burycollege.ac.uk/how-we-support-you/be-bury-college-ready/>.

You can find a comprehensive range of resources: everything from curriculum workbooks, reading lists and information about what to bring on your first day.

Bury College has launched an innovative new **podcast to support Year 11 pupils as they prepare to transition from school to college**. During this exciting podcast, the Bury College High School Liaison team discuss a range of topics including enrichment opportunities, work experience placements and student support. The Bury College podcast can be accessed at: <https://www.podfollow.com/burycollege>.

To support students in the transition to college, in lieu of the cancelled **New Starter Day**, we are currently developing an interactive campus map inviting pupils to take a **virtual tour** of the college and our facilities, as well as access course information and any additional resources. We will be in contact as soon as this is available.

## **Holy Cross College**

### **Supported transition**

A reminder that to support students' transition to advanced level work next term, a bank of resources relevant to their subject choice has been created. Students will be able to access this via their own admissions portal. To access this please use the link here: <https://applications.holycross.ac.uk/>. You will need the e-mail you used to set up your application and your password.

## **Applications and admissions**

**The New Students' Day, Monday, 29th June has been cancelled.** However, we are planning to provide students holding offers with the opportunity to 'tour' the college and hear from some of our staff via a virtual visit instead, which we hope to share in early July.

In addition, **enrolment of new students** was originally planned to take place on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st August but **we will now extend the period** for this through to Friday 28th August to allow us to host students on site in smaller numbers to ensure appropriate social distancing etc. **All students will be allocated an appointment to enrol in person.** However, if they are unable to attend in person there will be a telephone enrolment system in place as we recognise that enrolling on site may not be possible for all in the present climate. Students in this position have been asked to contact us via e-mail at [Admissions@holycross.ac.uk](mailto:Admissions@holycross.ac.uk) in confidence to discuss this and make alternative arrangements. **More information, including details of individual appointments, will be sent to students the week commencing 6th July.**

In the meantime, your students can keep up to date with what's going on at the college by visiting our social media pages or our website:

Twitter: @HolyCrossBury

Facebook: @HolyCrossCollegeBury

Instagram: holy\_cross\_bury

Snapchat: hcollege88

[www.holycross.ac.uk](http://www.holycross.ac.uk)

## **Bolton VI Form College**

### **Supported transition**

The Sixth Form plan to offer an activity each month for applicants joining us in September as part of the transition and this will be detailed on the website: [www.bolton-sfc.ac.uk](http://www.bolton-sfc.ac.uk). From the main menu, select the drop down for >Courses >Transitional work for Year 11s. Part 3 Transitional work and part 2 answers are now available on our website [bolton-sfc.ac.uk](http://bolton-sfc.ac.uk). Part 3 answers - we are looking at loading on for Friday 17th July.

We are looking forward to meeting our new students online for our **VIRTUAL New Student Day on Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2020.** **New Students should have now received a letter to register.** Students can visit our web page [www.bolton-sfc.ac.uk/b6ready/](http://www.bolton-sfc.ac.uk/b6ready/) to book and select their preferred subject sessions that they would like to participate in on the day; this is their chance to ask questions with our tutors. Students will need to make a note of their student reference number as they will need this to log in to select their subjects. Student reference numbers are detailed on the invitation letters sent out to students

**Letters are also being sent out in the next few days with details on for enrolment.**

## **Bolton College**

### **Applications and admissions**

We are continuing with telephone interviews during the day for now.

We are currently working on our enrolment plans for August. **Enrolments will be done online this year and young people will need to upload their GCSE results** for us to verify. It is very unlikely that we will be able to see young people (or indeed anyone) face to face this year but we will provide support by phone and our livechat service. The key message for Year 11s is to **apply to Bolton College via our website** so that we have their details and can keep in touch with them. They will not be able to 'walk in' in August and start the application process at that point as they could have previously. We will keep applicants updated by email and also plan to write a traditional letter to them during August.

We are now looking at arrangements for the new academic year and are waiting for further Government guidance on social distancing. Curriculum areas are working hard to ensure that learning can take place remotely as well as in the class room but there is still a way to go.

**Enrolment** for young people will be very different this year and will almost entirely be carried out online. Therefore, **it is absolutely essential that students apply to us and are interviewed before Wednesday 12 August**. The basic plan for confirming students' places at Bolton College once they have an offer is:

- The young person receives an email from us with a link to our Learner Hub in w/c 17 August (we will keep in touch with them over the Summer too)
- The young person will upload a picture of their GCSE results slip to the Learner Hub
- If they meet the entry requirements of the course they were offered, we will confirm their enrolment via email without further contact (we'll send them a link to their time table during w/c 31 August and they will collect their College ID on their first day)
- If they don't meet the entry requirements a Tutor will ring them to discuss their options.

### **Supported transition**

A YouTube channel has been created which contains dozens of video clips which can help students get a taste of life at Bolton College. Use the link to access:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/BoltonCollege/videos>.

