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Technical Education pathways to support Post-16 learners

This resource signposts education communities to resources and organisations who can help clarify technical education pathways for Post-16 learners.

This will support you in achieving the following Good Career Guidance Benchmarks:

- Benchmark 3: Addressing the needs of each pupil
- Benchmark 7: Encounters with further and higher education

All pupils should understand the full range of learning opportunities that are available to them. This includes both academic and vocational routes and learning in schools and colleges at Post-16.



Apprenticeships

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- An apprenticeship is a paid job combining work experience with training for a specific career, giving young people full employee rights from the start.
- Apprenticeships vary from entry levels such as new foundation apprenticeships, which provide young residents with insights into a number of occupations, through to intermediate, advanced, higher and degree apprenticeships.
- #apprenticeReady helps young people access apprenticeships by enabling them to independently find information, including a great introductory slide deck here, and lots of helpful tips on finding and applying for an apprenticeship and hearing from local apprentices.
- Educators and careers leaders can find all the information they need on apprenticeships here including a slide deck here.
- There are also lots of external organisations who will visit staff and learners to talk about apprenticeships and you can find a useful summary of these organisations here.
- We know parents and carers are key influences so we have collated most recent information to support their understanding of apprenticeships here.
- The apprenticeReady Twin Tracking Toolkit provides guidance for students exploring apprenticeships alongside other options, pulling together everything you need from national websites and organisations into one place to support learners wanting to keep their options of a full-time degree and an apprenticeship open.

T-LEVELS
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

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- T Levels are the only technical qualifications for 16–19-year-olds, equivalent to three A Levels, combining classroom learning with a 45-day industry placement.
- T Levels offer students a practical and knowledge-based learning experience which is connected to industry standards.
- Developed with employers, they equip students with vocational skills for work or further study.
- Recent evidence shows that about one-third of T Level graduates gain an apprenticeship with their placement employer.
- There are over 20 T Level routes, each with occupational pathways for learners to follow from digital and engineering, through to creative, science and animal care.
- Find out more about T Levels here.

Qualifications Reform Toolkit

This resource has been created to help education and training providers, and careers development professionals, explain Alternative Academic Qualifications (AAQs) and Reformed Technical Qualifications as new Post-16 options to staff members, learners, parents and employers. Access the Toolkit here.