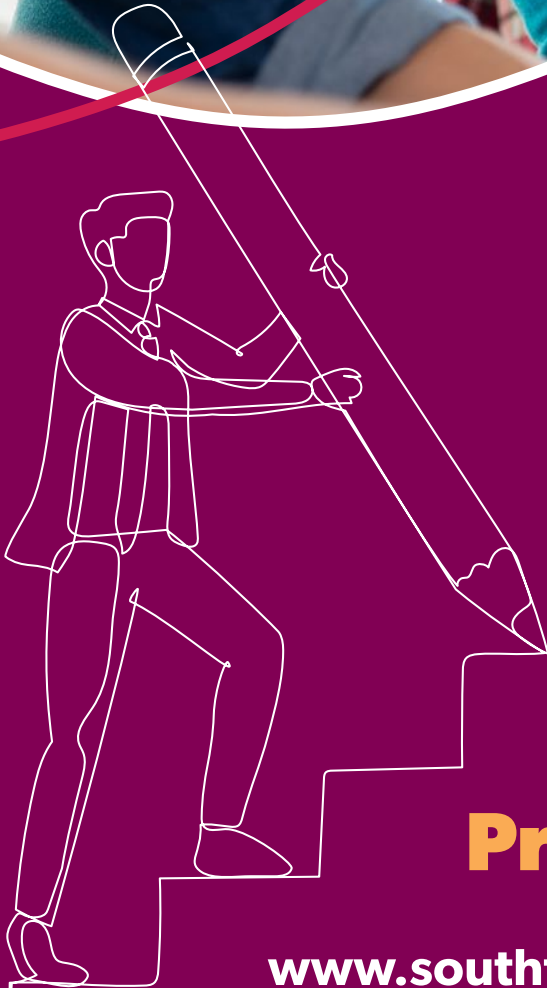




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SOUTH TYNESIDE

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Unlock your potential



HELLO...

Many congratulations on completing your secondary education here in South Tyneside, the next step of your journey is an exciting one and one that will set the tone for your future career and adult life.

We understand that you, like many young people across the country, may be feeling nervous about what your next steps look like. Your Next Steps is here to support you with the transition between secondary and further education or training.

In this Your Next Steps prospectus, you'll be able to find out more about what local training providers are offering from September as well as find out where to look for information about what local colleges and sixth forms are offering and where to go if you would like to find out more information about apprenticeship vacancies.

You can also keep up to date with the latest news and information about education, employment and training by following Connexions South Tyneside on Facebook, just search Connexions South Tyneside.

The logo for Connexions features the word "connexions" in a lowercase, sans-serif font. The letters "c", "n", "e", "x", "i", and "o" are colored orange, while "n", "e", "x", "i", "o", and "s" are colored purple. A thick orange line starts under the first 'c', goes down, then right, then up, forming a shape that loops around the 'n' and 'e'.

SOUTH TYNESIDE

COURSES

Use our matrix below to get a brief overview of the type of training you can access through each provider, then head to their overview page to find out more.

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What is a Study Programme?

Your study programme is a tailored package of qualifications available to you post-16, it's like an individual learning plan based on your qualifications, what you want to do next, and any career plans you have.

Each person's programme will vary – your training provider will explain how your programme details reflect your individual needs, abilities and ambitions.

You'll spend most of your time studying an academic or vocational qualification. Whether you are studying one or more qualification these will be included in your study programme.

There's a range of activities to support your progression to help you develop personal, study and employability skills.

What is an Apprenticeship?

Apprenticeships enable you to earn a wage and gain a qualification at the same time.

When you're an apprentice:

- you get paid and train at the same time, with at least 20% of your time spent in off the job training, often at a college, university or with a training provider
- you train to be fully competent in your chosen occupation
- you're on a career path - with lots of future potential for you
- Your apprenticeship can take between one and six years to complete, depending on which apprenticeship you choose, what level it's at, and your previous experience.

There are hundreds of different apprenticeships to choose from. Whether you're at the start of your career, want to change career direction, or if you're returning to work after a break.

All apprenticeships make sure you're 'job ready' for the role you have trained for.

For more information about apprenticeships and to search for current vacancies, you can visit www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeships

What is a T Level

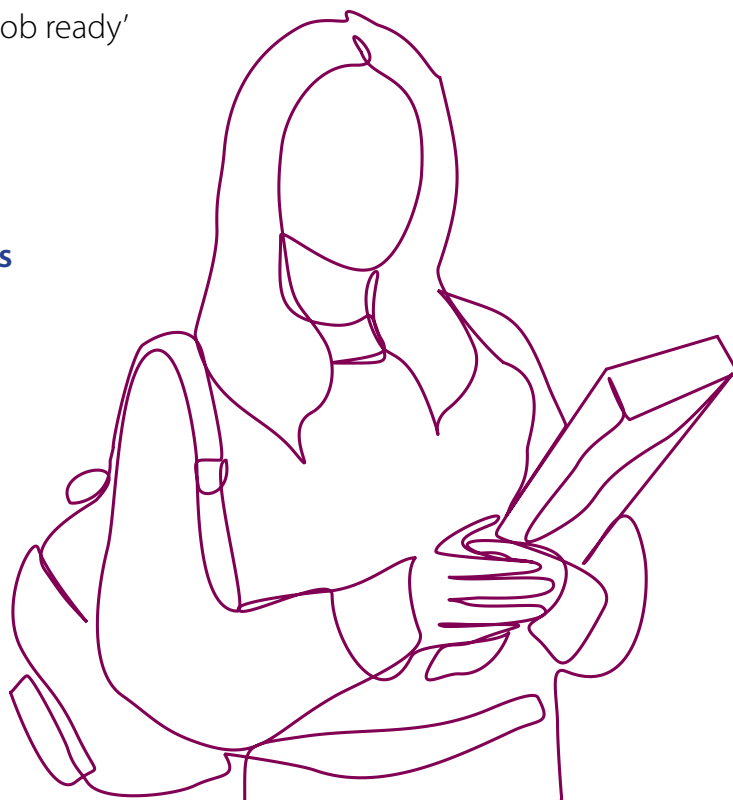
A T Level is a nationally recognised qualification for 16-19 year-olds that takes two years to complete. Leading businesses and employers help design T Levels to give you the knowledge and skills you need. They're roughly equal to 3 A Levels.

You'll spend 80% of your time in the classroom and 20% on a minimum 9-week placement with an employer. This means you'll learn what a real career is like while you continue your studies.

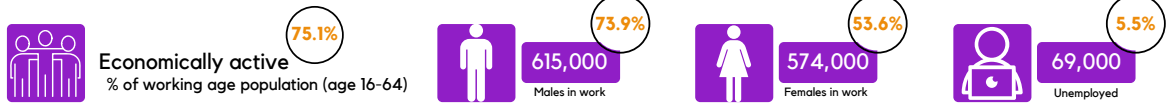
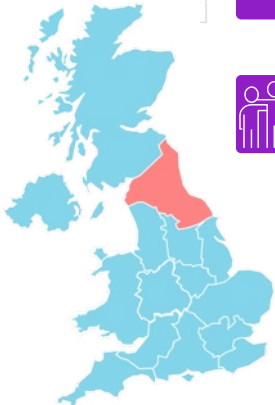
Schools and colleges set their own entry requirements, so check their websites to find out what GCSE grades you need.

There are several subjects available now in England, including digital, science, construction and health.

Find out more at: www.tlevels.gov.uk



What does the North East Labour Market look like?

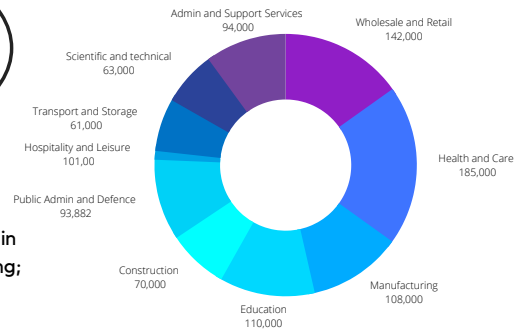


A snapshot of the North East

The North East has seen its employment and apprenticeship rates increasing and its unemployment rate dropping compared to the previous quarter.

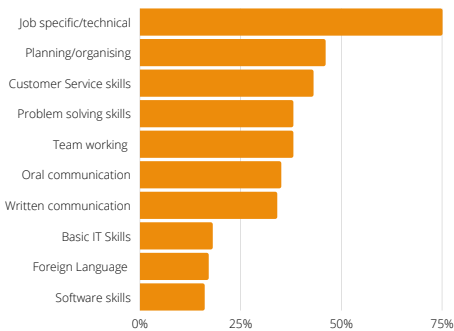
The North East had 4.5% of all Year 11's move into an apprenticeship compared to the UK average of 2.9%

Top 10 industries in North East



What are employers looking for?

70% of employers advertising vacancies find that applicants are lacking skills in



Apprenticeships in the North East

There are approx 650 live vacancies within a 15 mile radius of South Tyneside including;

- Digital Marketing and IT
- Customer Service and Hospitality
- Manufacturing, Engineering and Construction
- Business, Administration and Finance
- Health and Care

Regional top employers



Jobs of the future

In the North East the main key industries set for future growth include

- Digital
- Advanced Manufacturing
- Health and Life Sciences
- Offshore and Energy Technology

Sources: Office of National Statistics (March 2022), Nomis, Official Labour Market Statistics: Regional data (March 2022) and North East LEP (2022) and findanapprenticeship.gov

Understanding what employment opportunities are available to you after education is important in helping you decide what route is the best for you.

One of the terms you might hear a lot as you make your decision making is LMI – that stand for Labour Market Information and in short, refers to any information that is relevant about the current state of the jobs market.

This can include information like:

- How many jobs there are
- How much you could expect to earn
- Career progression opportunities
- The types of jobs that exist and what they involve
- The skills that are currently in demand or might be over the next few years.

LMI helps to demystify the jobs market. It helps take the confusion out of career planning, job hunting, career progression and education/training decision making. When you take into consideration accurate and up to date information, you are better equipped to make an informed decision about your future.



Chameleon Training

What is on offer:

Chameleon Vocational Training has strong links with automotive industry employers across the North East. Our range of training, qualifications and apprenticeships can increase your employability by equipping you with the skills and knowledge employers within the industry are searching for.

Our automotive study programmes are available at Level 1, 2 and 3 and are delivered over 2 days a week for 36 weeks from our base in Washington – all levels combine a mix of both practical and theoretical teaching to help you progress into an apprenticeship or further training.

We also offer apprenticeship training in both Light Vehicle and Autocare Technician apprenticeships.

Ethan completed a Motor Vehicle Study Programme and went on to progress into an apprenticeship with Tyrespot based in Washington, Tyne & Wear.


How to apply

To find out more about Chameleon Training, visit www.cvt-uk.co.uk or call us on 0191 340 6060.

We will then arrange a visit for a tour of our centre and discuss all courses with you on an individual basis to ensure you get the course that is right for you.

Contact: Shaun Welch

 shaun.welch@cvt-uk.com

 **0191 3406060**

 www.cvt-uk.co.uk



Foundation of Light

What is on offer:

Designed to increase motivation and self-esteem amongst participants, our interactive courses consist of a mixture of classroom, practical and physical activities which all enable participants to enhance their employment prospects.

On our programme you will:

- Gain nationally recognised qualifications in areas such as:
 - Sport
 - ESports
 - Workskills
 - Personal Development
 - Maths
 - English

- Get help with CV writing, job seeking, interview techniques and application support tailored to your needs
- Real job opportunities matched to your skills and experience

We also offer a traineeship in Sport & Leisure which where you will complete Sport and Work Skills as the core aims and will receive a work placement. Support is also available if you need help with your English and maths knowledge.



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How to apply

Before enrolling, participants will be able to tour the facility and meet their tutors. Tutors will provide details of the programme, qualifications on offer and opportunities for work placements, course activities and progressions after course completion. Participants will be able to see the World of Work Zones at the Beacon of Light, including how these can be used to support practical employability experience through their course.

Contact: Neil Jones

✉ Neil.Jones@foundationoflight.co.uk

☎ **0191 563 4777**

➔ www.foundationoflight.co.uk



Lomax Training

What is on offer:

Lomax Training delivers a wide range of courses from its purpose-built centres within the North East. For school leavers, we offer a Level 1 Diploma in Plumbing course to enable you to gain the skills needed to enter the plumbing and heating industry.

You will study plumbing alongside Maths, English and employability skills in key topics such as CV building, interview techniques, budgeting and interpersonal skills. You will study at Lomax Training, Howdon, Wallsend for 3 days per week for 6 months.

We have excellent employer links working with a wide range of companies to give our learners the opportunity to progress onto a gas apprenticeship or the plumbing level 2 qualification.


How to apply

Call, email or apply online: www.lomaxtraining.co.uk/apply-for-course-funding

Our support services team will be in touch to arrange an information, advice and guidance session to discuss course, progression routes and an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have about the course.

Contact: Charlotte McKinnie

 charlottemckinnie@lomaxtraining.co.uk

 **0191 262 3040**

 www.lomaxtraining.co.uk/



Military Preparation College

What is on offer:

Our course are designed to give learners the skills needed to start their journey towards a rewarding career in the British Armed Forces or to progress on to further education or training.

At the college, you will follow a weekly routine of activities and learning. This includes vocational training, physical training, English and Maths, military training days and assessments. Our curriculum covers a wide variety of skills development, including public speaking. The skills and confidence needed are gained through practice of preparing and delivering icebreakers

and presentations. Learners will always have the support of their peers and their instructor every step of the way.

Problem-solving and leadership skills are essential in the Armed Forces and civilian employment. You will take part in a range of problem-solving activities both in the field, and in academic lessons. The ability to work effectively as a team member will be essential to your success. There are many leadership opportunities at the college, and we encourage all learners to challenge themselves to be more than average.

How to apply

Recruitment process is very simple, just click apply now at the top of our website and a member of our learner support team will get in contact to talk through the enrolment process. You could be enrolled and joining in with your new college in a matter of days.

Contact: Scott Weatherburn

✉ **scott.weatherburn**
@learningcurvegroup.co.uk

☎ **01388 777129 / 07773067220**

➔ **www.mpct.co.uk**



Phoenix Employment Training Academy

What is on offer:


With Phoenix, you'll have the opportunity to complete a Warehousing and Logistics Study Programme that will give you the skills needed to succeed in the sector. You'll also be given the opportunity to complete Fork Lift Truck training alongside employability skills – if you need support with your English and maths, it'll also be embedded into your programme.

How to apply

Before enrolling, participants will be able to tour the training centre and meet the tutors. We will provide details of the programme, qualifications on offer and progressions after course completion.

Contact: Robert Dent

 admin@petaltraining.com

 **0191 510 8812**



Princes Trust

What is on offer:

We offer a variety of employability and confidence programmes for 16-30 year olds who are out of education, employment and training:

Our **Explore** programme is individually tailored to meet your needs at a pace that is suitable for you – you'll take part in group activities including one-to-one support to develop your confidence and skills as you work towards your goals.

You could then progress onto our 12-week full time **TEAM** personal development programme. Boost your confidence and take part in employability sessions. Develop skills in teamwork and community action by engaging on a work-based placement and opportunity to attend a residential to take part in adventurous activities

If you want to develop your vocational skills our **Get Started** programmes offer short courses to help you develop your skills through practical activities, giving you the confidence and motivation to move forward with your life.

We also run a range of **Get Into** programmes throughout the year which are delivered with employers like M&S and Greene King. These 2-4 week programmes give you an insight into the world of work and give you direct work experience within an industry.

Finally, our 1 week **Employ Me** programme is designed to build you confidence and communication skills and is a mixture of self-directed learning and online group sessions.

How to apply

Send an email to princestrustne@princes-trust.org.uk with your name and contact number and a brief outline of what support you are looking for and one of the local team will call you back. Alternatively, you can speak to an advisor through the Live Chat option on the Prince's Trust webpage.

Contact: John Atkinson

 princestrustne@princes-trust.org.uk

 **0800 842842**

 www.princes-trust.org.uk



Resources North East

What is on offer:

With over 150 progressions into apprenticeships each year from our study programme and traineeships, our programmes are the perfect start to your career. Our study programmes, which are delivered over 30 hours per week up to 20 weeks cover:

Painting and Decorating – You'll develop the basic skills needed to be a painter and decorator including decorative finishes, cutting in and rolling paint.

Bricklaying – You'll learn how to install cavity walling, straight brickwork skills, use of tools, time management and critical health and safety requirements needed in the role.

Joinery – You'll begin to understand basic joints, installation of door frames, door hinges and locks. You'll complete a work-based project to further develop the skills employers demand of you including fitting of kitchen units and counter tops.

How to apply

For more information head to www.resourcesnortheast.co.uk and complete the referral form, alternatively give us a call or ask your Connexions Advisor to arrange a call back.

Contact: Martin Harrison

 Martin.Harrison@resourcesdev.co.uk

 **07934 298746**

 www.resourcesnortheast.co.uk



SETA

What is on offer:

We deliver industry recognised training to help you provide a launchpad for careers in engineering, manufacturing and related industries.

Our apprenticeships span a variety of sectors and career pathways including:

Engineering - A paid apprenticeship with a company for 42 months consisting of foundation training at Seta for 6 – 9 months depending on the technical area you're looking to develop. This course has three main components with 37 hours a working week, starting at 8 – 4 Monday till Thursday and 8 – 1 on a Friday. This will take place at both Seta and the employers' workplace.

SETA offer a range of engineering apprenticeships including:

- Mechatronics Maintenance Technician
- Maintenance and Operations Engineering Technician
- Electrical/Mechanical Fitter
- Metal Fabricator
- Pipe Welder
- Pipe Fitter
- Plate Welder
- Engineering Manufacturing Technician
- Improvement Practitioner
- Process Leader
- Engineering Design and Draughtsperson
- Engineering Technician Support with CV writing; cover letters and online job applications, customer service skills workshops, interview technique and mock interview sessions.

How to apply

Apply online at www.seta.co.uk – once you've completed the registration form, you'll be invited to an online chat with a member of the team before attending SETA to undertake an interview and aptitude test. Once you've passed this stage, your CV's will be sent to specific employers who will invite you to a company specific interview.

You can also find support on how best to navigate the recruitment process on the SETA website.

Contact: Nathan Lyle

✉ enquiries@seta.co.uk

☎ **0191 416 2860**

➡ www.seta.co.uk



Springboard

What is on offer:

Our study programmes are available in a variety of vocational specialisms that will help you progress into further training or employment in the sector you choose.

Each of our full time study programmes are approximately 16 hours per week and vary in level from Level 1-3 which are either delivered in Jarrow or Sunderland, it also includes English and Maths up to GCSE.

You can choose a vocational specialism in the following:

- Animal Care
- Beauty Therapy
- Childcare

- Construction
- Hairdressing
- Health and Social Care
- Horticulture
- Hospitality and Catering
- Vehicle Maintenance

We also offer a range of apprenticeships in the following sectors:

- Business Administration
- Customer Service
- Childcare
- Health and Social Care
- Warehousing


How to apply

Visit our website www.springboard-ne.org.uk give us a ring on 0191 5155300, or message our Facebook page (SpringboardNE). A member of our engagement team will contact you to confirm either a telephone appointment, or a face to face appointment.

We also offer taster sessions for young people who are unsure of their chosen vocation and would like to try before fully enrolling.

Contact:

 contact@springboard-ne.org

 **0300 003 7073**

 www.springboard-ne.org.uk



South Tyneside College

What is on offer:

We offer a huge range of vocational courses and apprenticeships, so you can really find your future at South Tyneside College. With a range of vocational areas including engineering, sport, creative media and forensic science, we're sure there'll be a course or apprenticeship for you. With strong employer links, you'll be exposed to the workplace and develop an understanding of the skills employers are looking for when recruiting. Some of those employers include, NHS, Leibherr, Mercedes Newcastle & Sunderland, Washington Metal Works and Cleadon Academy.

It doesn't matter if you've decided to study a vocational course or an apprenticeship; you will need to take English and maths qualifications with you. Employers look out for them, so you need them – they are a must on your CV.

That is why we include GCSE maths and English, or a recognised functional qualification, with every course and programme we offer.


To view the full offer available to school leavers, head to stc.ac.uk

How to apply

Browse all of our courses online at stc.ac.uk. Once you've found the right one for you, just click "Apply Online" Depending on the course you've applied for, our Student Services Team may arrange an informal telephone interview with the course tutor. Don't worry, any interviews will be very informal and are an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have about the course.

Contact:

 info@stc.ac.uk

 **0191 427 3500**

 www.stc.ac.uk



South Shields Marine School

What is on offer:

South Shields Marine School has specialised in world-class maritime education and training since 1861. We have transformed the delivery of education in this industry with our state-of-the-art facilities, industry expert lecturers and specialist programmes.

Our one year Pre-Cadetship programme covers both navigation and engineering, allowing you to experience what a maritime career is really like in both disciplines. Once completed, you will have the opportunity to progress on to a funded sponsorship with a shipping company, where

you'll be able to travel the world while being paid for it! In a world that is ever changing, a career at sea provides fantastic opportunities in an exciting sector where no two days are the same.

As recent Queen's Award winners, you can be rest assured your future is in safe hands. Not only will you learn key skills, make friends and build your confidence, you will have the opportunity to navigate and steer a ship in our multi-million-pound Simulation Centre, manage critical controls in our engine rooms and get a real feel for what a career at sea is all about.


How to apply

To submit an application, please visit our website www.stc.ac.uk/marine or email shipping@stc.ac.uk

If you require further information or a more in depth one-to-one discussion, please get in touch with our Marine Department by email or telephone

Contact:

 Shipping@stc.ac.uk

 **0191 427 3517**

 www.stc.ac.uk/marine



South Tyneside Works

What is on offer:

South Tyneside Works' Interpersonal Skills Study Programme will give you all the essential skills needed to succeed in work.

Duration of the programme is 20 weeks, one day a week from 09:30-4pm. The programme is classroom based and will take place at South Shields Business Works.

Whilst on the programme you'll study complete a L1 Award in Interpersonal Skills, employability as well as Online Safety and Introduction to Money Management.

We'll also support you to build your English and maths skills and Functional Skills English/Maths can be added if required – this would require an additional half day per subject per week.

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WORKS
Unlock your potential

How to apply

If you have any questions about the course content or would like any additional information, please email us or give us a call.

Contact:

✉ **southtynesideworks**
@southtyneside.gov.uk

☎ **0800 073 1772**



Training in Care

What is on offer:

Training in Care has National Academy status in the Child and Adult care sector.

We work closely with employers to enable students into work, and offer a full Skills Bank of over 30 Endorsed and Accredited courses. Our Skills Bank responds to the needs identified by employers, the health and care sectors, and link directly into occupational standards. The duration of our study programme is set to accommodate your need and qualification type. Delivery is 16+ hours per week over 6-12 months, consisting of classroom and work placements within the sector.

Study Programmes:

The aim of our study programme is to help you achieve a clear understanding of the choice and

opportunities for work within both the Child and Adult Care sectors. Once we have discussed your interests and career goals, you will be offered a place on one of the following programmes:

- Level 1 Study Programme in Child and Adult Care
- Level 2 Certificate for Children and Young People's Workforce Study Programme
- Level 2 Diploma in Caring for Children and Young People
- Level 2 Study Programme in Care
- Level 2 Study Programme in Preparing to Work in Adult Care


Our learners typically progress on to apprenticeships, higher education in nursing and teaching, and into employment.

How to apply

Learners should contact through our website enquiry form, email us or give us a call. We'll then talk you through your options with tailored information, advice and guidance for the course your interested in studying then invited to attend a face-to-face meeting with our Study Programme Tutor, Lynne. Learners are invited to attend with their parents/carers so you feel more at ease.

Contact: Lynne Sparkes

 lynnesparkes@trainingincare.co.uk

 **0191 5373529**

 www.trainingincare.co.uk



Zenith Training

What is on offer:

Zenith Training are experts at supporting young people into high quality apprenticeships. We work with organisations right across the North East who have vacancies in the following areas:

- Business Administration
- Customer Service
- Manufacturing Operative
- Multi-Channel Marketer
- Content Creator
- Sales
- Travel Consultant
- Warehousing

Zenith Training's apprenticeship recruitment provides young people with free resources, advice and guidance. Designed with input from young people, service offers practical tools to support young people through education, transition into employment as a process of lifelong learning.

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How to apply

To organise a time to chat through your options and which route may be best for you, please contact Ian Wilkinson

Contact: Ian Wilkinson

✉ ianwilkinson@zenithtraining.org.uk

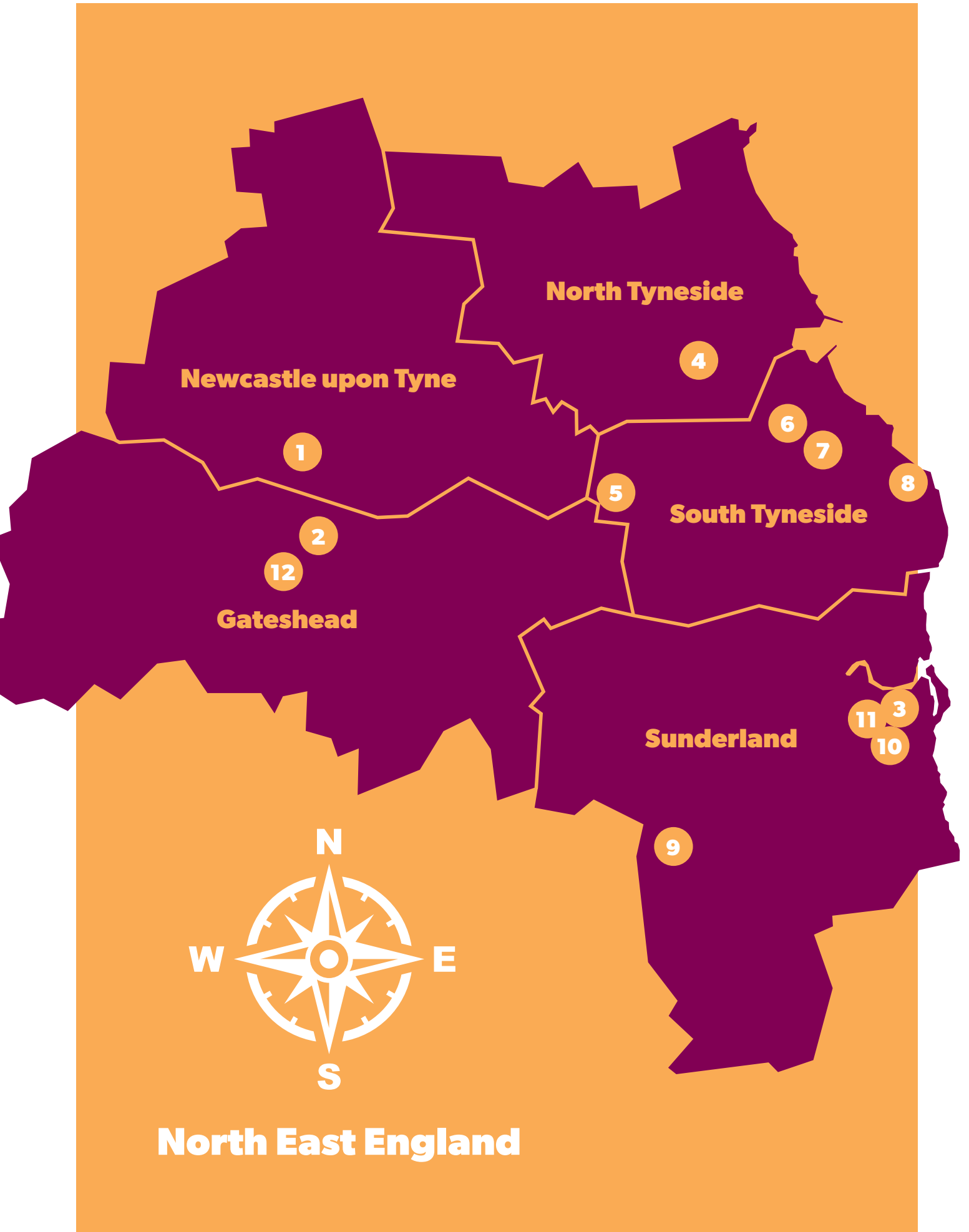
☎ **0191 917 1097**

➔ www.zenithtraining.org.uk

LOCAL COLLEGES & SIXTH FORMS

Alongside vocational training providers, you can also find out more about local colleges and sixth forms – head to their websites to find out more about their offer.

- 1 Newcastle College
www.ncl-coll.ac.uk
- 2 Gateshead College
www.gateshead.ac.uk
- 3 Sunderland College
www.sunderlandcollege.ac.uk
- 4 Tyne Met College
www.tynemet.ac.uk
- 5 St Joseph's Catholic Academy
www.stjosephs.uk.net
- 6 St Wilfrid's RC College
www.st-wilfrids.org
- 7 Harton Academy
www.harton-tc.co.uk
- 8 Whitburn Academy
www.whitburncofeacademy.org
- 9 St Robert of Newminster
www.strobertofnewminster.co.uk
- 10 St Aidan's Catholic Boys Academy
www.staidanscatholicacademy.co.uk
- 11 St Anthony's Catholic Girls Academy
www.st-anthonys-academy.com
- 12 Gateshead Learning & Skills
www.mylearningskills.co.uk



North East England



Support for Send

There is specialist provision within South Tyneside for young people who have a Special Educational Need and have an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP)

Information about this provision can be found in this section – your Connexions Advisor will be able to support you with understanding and exploring this provision and help you with making an informed decision about what type of course or placement may be best for you and your long term aspirations.

PLEASE NOTE; decisions regarding admission to SEND provision that requires high needs funding such as study programmes, sixth forms and specialist college provision are made by a multi-agency panel. The Post-16 Panel considers your needs, aspirations, progression and outcomes as identified within your EHCP annual review to decide whether a placement is appropriate.



SEND
LOCAL OFFER

You may also wish to have a look at the South Tyneside SEND Local Offer website: The SEND Local Offer website has information about the support and services available in South Tyneside.

It is designed to help you find the best support for children and young people aged 0 to 25 who have Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

You can take a look at:

www.sendlocaloffer.southtyneside.gov.uk

Over the next few pages, find out more about what is on offer here in South Tyneside to support your skills, independence and knowledge.



Choices College South Tyneside

What is on offer:

NHSE Choice College is a national Specialist Post-16 College providing a person-centred, individually-tailored Supported Internship to young adults with learning difficulties, disabilities and/or Autism. Through the Internship, 16-24 year olds gain work experience, develop independence skills and increase their employability.

Our service is bespoke, offering tailored support to each Intern, and employment opportunities are matched to the individual's skills. We will empower our Interns and build their confidence

as individuals in the workplace, while also offering life experience beyond their home and school environments.

The Internship is for 16-24 year olds with SEND needs such as learning difficulties, learning disabilities and autism. There are no academic requirements to join the Internship, however individuals will need to have an aspiration to work and a current Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) in place.

How to apply

For more information please visit our website.

Applicants will be invited to an assessment day where they will complete activities and have an informal interview.

Contact:

➔ www.hee.nhs.uk/our-work/project-choice-supported-internships



Epinay Business and Enterprise School

What is on offer:

Our 16-19 Study programme is designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge to give you the best start in your career and adult life.

The study programme curriculum is designed to celebrate success for all students. You will have a 4 day week bespoke timetable which will include two days placement/work experience. Your learning will begin in September and will finish on the last Friday in June.

Prior to starting your study programme, our Key Stage 5 Leads will meet with you and your parents/carers and put in place a personalised programme that meets your needs.

We'll explore vocational pathways of study including:

- Catering
- Business Administration/Customer Service
- Sport and Leisure
- Horticulture
- Hairdressing
- Skills for Employment, Training and Personal Development.

How to apply

For more information please visit our website.

Contact:

 www.epinay.org/6th-form-prospectus



Keelman's Way School

What is on offer:

We provide relevant and stimulating experiences to support your progress and personal development. Our Post-16 offer is based at our school site in Hebburn and we offer bespoke programmes and courses of study to suit your individual needs.

At Keelman's Way we understand that each student is an individual. We pride ourselves on supporting each student with the best possible learning and medical support available. All students have access to a Public Health Nurse, Medicine and Inclusion officer (School Based), Community Nursing team (Where required),

Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy Team, Educational Psychologist and Social Work Team (Children's & Adults).

Our Like Skills Curriculum is developed to build your independence and prepare you for adulthood, building on things like managing your money, cooking, travel training and social and employability skills.

You will be given the opportunity to undertake a work placement through our Future Routes Internship Programmes as well as the choice to do a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

How to apply

Please contact us by either email or phone. Further details can be found on our website.

Contact:



0191 489 7480



www.keelmanswayschool.co.uk



Groundwork South and North Tyneside

Route2Work College

What is on offer:

Our Study Programme offers a specialised programme for with a Special Educational Need / EHCP. We offer a personalized programme for each learner to help them achieve their future goals. Progression opportunities include further education, supported internships, apprenticeships/traineeships, voluntary work and employment.

We have four vocational subjects on offer:- Animal care, Land Based Studies, Customer Service and Health & Social Care.

As part of the Study Programme we also offer Functional Skills maths and English. You will be offered work placements/work experience as part of their programme to help them develop their skills for working life and independent living.

Work experience and employability skills are based on future goals, as outlined in learner's EHCP. Work placements are secured in appropriate and meaningful locations. Support is personalised to needs of the learners and reduced gradually to ensure success.

How to apply

"All learners must have a current ECHP Plan.

Before you apply, taster sessions will be organised for you to visit the college as well as the opportunity for a summer programme before you start."

Contact: Rebecca Ramsden

✉ **Rebecca.ramsden@groundwork.org.uk**

☎ **0191 424 1580**



Gateshead College

(Project Choice)

What is on offer:

Gateshead College's Project Choice is a supported training programme for young people with learning difficulties, disabilities and autism.

Our class sizes are smaller so than you can get more one to one support. Help from learning support staff as well as a teacher is available. If appropriate, you will be met when you come into college by your key support and teaching staff and you will have someone with you until you are picked up or leave college.

Project Choice is an award-winning programme that will provide you with the skills and experience you need to get into work. The programme is

delivered by Gateshead College, with the support of private sector businesses. Through Project Choice, you'll have the opportunity to gain the skills and qualities you need to get a job. Our team will work with you to help you learn how to work as well as you can. As part of your study programme you will work towards gaining a qualification in employability skills which will support the practical tasks you carry out in your work placement.

You will also develop your maths and English skills as part of your programme, as these are key skills that employers look for.

How to apply

If you're interested in Project Choice please call or or send us an email.

Contact:

✉ projectchoice@gateshead.ac.uk

☎ **0191 490 2427**

➔ www.gateshead.ac.uk/welcome/project-choice





Springboard Futures

What is on offer:

Springboard Futures provides high quality further education and supported training.

The training provision is available for learners 16+ with an EHCP.

Our provision of specialist staff, resources and equipment will enable students with learning difficulties and disabilities to make the transition to adulthood.

We provide small class teaching to make sure all learners get the support they require.

We provide appropriate programmes that support students transition into adulthood. We provide person-centred planning to reflect everyone's needs, skills and interests.

We work in partnership with placement providers to support student's preparation for the world of work. We provide joining and leaving transition strategies suited to individual learners.

How to apply

Please contact us by either email or phone. Further details can be found on our website or message our Facebook page (SpringboardNE). A member of our engagement team will contact you to confirm either a telephone appointment, or a face to face appointment. We also offer taster sessions for young people who are unsure of their chosen vocation and would like to try before fully enrolling.

Contact:

 contact@springboard-ne.org

 **0300 003 7073**

 www.springboard-ne.org.uk



South Tyneside College

In addition to Mainstream provision, South Tyneside College have a range of foundation programmes which are tailored to meet the needs of students with a range of learning difficulties from mild/moderate to severe and including students with autistic traits.

How to apply

Contact: Jackie Gates

✉ jackie.gates@tynecoast.ac.uk
➦ www.stc.ac.uk/foundation-learning



Foundation of Light

In addition to Mainstream provision, Foundation of Light have a range of foundation programmes which are tailored to meet the needs of students with a range of learning difficulties from mild/moderate to severe and including students with autistic traits.

How to apply

Contact: Neil Jones

✉ Neil.Jones@foundationoflight.co.uk
☎ 0191 563 4777



Please note: Other local Colleges have Supported, or Foundation Learning offers for young people with SEND. For more information about this provision please refer to the College website or contact the College direct.

USEFULL CONTACTS

It's fine to still feel unsure about which route you'd like to take and may want to do some additional research before speaking to a Connexions Advisor or Careers Advisor, why not head to the following websites to find out more:

Amazing Apprenticeships

www.amazingapprenticeships.com

Here you'll find information and resources to help you further understand what an apprenticeship is and how you can access them. You can also find out about your local Young Apprenticeship Network.

Find an Apprenticeship

www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk

Search for apprenticeships in England as well as register for alerts so you don't miss your next opportunity.

Career Coach

www.southtyneside.emsicc.com

Career Coach helps you explore hundreds of career profiles, begin to create your CV with our interactive CV builder and take a career assessment to see which careers and job roles are suited to your personality.

South Tyneside Local Offer

www.sendlocaloffer.southtyneside.gov.uk

Designed to help you find the best support for children and young people aged 0 to 25 who have Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

UCAS

www.ucas.com

Explore your post-16 options, possible funding and career ideas. You can also discover more information about Higher Education.

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 www.southtyneside.gov.uk/youngpeople

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