



School Liaison Connect2College Bulletin

Week Commencing 25th January

Welcome back to The Manchester College School Liaison Connect2College Bulletin.

In this week's edition you can find out more information about;

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- T Levels, T Level Transition Year & Summer School
- T Level Head of Faculty information
- Virtual video course content
- Labour Market Information

FOR CAREERS LEADS & SCHOOL COLLEAGUES

Connect2College Live

Not to be missed...

The School Liaison Team are hosting a series of live webinars via Microsoft Teams to ensure pupils don't miss out on virtual college information and to help them gain further insight into careers and next steps ready for when they finish school.



Following the success of our Virtual School Leaver Open Events - TMC Live, our School Liaison Team at The Manchester College now bring you and your pupils **'Connect2College Live'** a series of **'live' sessions during week commencing 8th Feb.**

In the Connect2College Live sessions, pupils from Years 11 through to Year 8 will be able to find out more information about:

- **Intro to T Levels** -Our exciting T Level offer launching this September 2021, including details of the Summer School – Years 9, 10 & 11
- **School Leaver Presentation** - Our new Industry Excellence Academies along with the Vocational courses we offer through our Centres of Excellence – Years 9,10 & 11
- **An introduction to Apprenticeships** - We offer through our partner organisation Total People – Years 9 - 13
- **How to make a successful college application** – Year 11
- **Choosing your GCSE Options session** – Years 8/9
- **Future Decisions with Health and Social Care**- Year 9, 10 & 11

We have developed a schedule of **30 minute 'live' Connect2College activities from Monday 8th Feb until Friday 12th Feb** showcasing some of our most popular and engaging classroom sessions we normally deliver out in schools. The timetable below includes dates, times, target year groups and the links to join each session.

How can pupils join these sessions?

There is no need for schools or pupils to register for the event, all we ask pupils to do is click on the live links below on the day/time of the session and join us. Pupils are encouraged to attend as many sessions as they wish to and will have the opportunity to ask questions directly to the School Liaison Team. **Please see the full timetable and links for our sessions in the word document attached.**

***Please note:** These 'live' sessions have been timetabled during the school day and to help pupils we have tried to repeat a number of these just in case pupils can't make one of the dates/times. If any of your pupils can't attend but would be interested in the information provided during the sessions then we are more than happy to send our pre-recorded session to them after the event.

We need your support now

We would be very grateful if you could share this information with your pupils from years 8-11 (Against each session we have identified the target year group/s).

If you would like any further information or would like to discuss this in more detail then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Do let us know if you think your school can support this activity and we hope to see many of your pupils join us.

Schools Liaison Live Timetable – Please see the full timetable with links in the word document attached.

*****T Levels & T Level Transition Year*****

*****T Levels, T Level Transition Year & Summer School*****

What is a Summer school?

The Summer school is a 3 week online programme and successful completion is part of the entry requirements for the Level 3 T Levels and Level 2 Transition Courses. The Summer School will begin week commencing 5th July 2021. The programme is developed to help determine alongside a pupils' GCSE grades, if they are suitable for a T Level or T Level Transition Year.

Successful Summer School students will be invited to take part in an online interview with the employer sponsors, who will help to make the final selection.

Attention Careers Leads: Emails are due to go out shortly to invite any pupils to the Summer School who may have already applied earlier in the year for these T Level subject areas.



With our first T Level delivery commencing this September, we want to ensure that pupils are equipped with all the information they need to make decisions about their future. Therefore, each week we will be focussing on one of our 4 T Level areas to share some insight into the T Levels and T Level Transition Years that link to them.

What is a T Level?

Technical Levels, also known as 'T Levels', are a new two-year programme that will provide students with a high-quality technical alternative to A Levels. Combining classroom learning with a 45-day industry placement (90-days for Education & Childcare) they will set students on the path to a job or give you the option to choose another course for further study. From

September 2021 we will be offering T Levels in Construction; Digital; Education & Childcare; and Health & Healthcare Science.

What is a T Level Transition Year?

The T Level Transition Year is for students who wish to study a T Level but have not met the entry requirements for English and/or Maths or met the required standards. The year is heavily focused on English and Maths to give students an opportunity to re-sit their GCSE in November and then re-sit or try to achieve an even higher grade in the summer. During a Transition year at The Manchester College, students **DO** get a small qualification which is unique to our Transition Year. During the year, students will undertake an industry placement, this will be a standard of 15 days but can be a maximum of 315 hours.

This week we shine the spotlight on **Construction**.

For our Construction T Levels there is a separate Transition Year that links with each individual T Level.

T Level – Level 3

IEA Building Services Engineering for Construction (Electrical Installation) - <https://bit.ly/3sMwFLY>

T Level Transition – Level 2

IEA Building Services Engineering - <https://bit.ly/3qLlobM>

T Level – Level 3

IEA Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction - <https://bit.ly/2MbQf3y>

T Level Transition – Level 2

IEA Design & Surveying (Built Environment) - <https://bit.ly/364Vx81>

T Level – Level 3

IEA On-Site Construction (Carpentry & Joinery) - <https://bit.ly/3qNpIOB>

T Level Transition – Level 2

IEA On-Site Construction (Carpentry & Joinery) - <https://bit.ly/3sK3sRY>



T Level training & support for Heads of Faculty

Ahead of the launch of our brand new T Levels, we are looking to work with relevant School Heads of Faculty to offer some targeted training and support in relation to T Levels.

To help us with this, we would kindly ask if you could share with us the name and contact details for the Heads of Faculty in the areas below for your school;

- Design Technology
- IT/Computer Science
- Science
- Health and Social Care (if offered)
- Childcare (if offered)
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You can send these to your link adviser or slt@tmc.ac.uk. As always, your continued support is greatly appreciated.

For more information about T Levels, please [click here](#).

FOR PUPILS/LEARNERS

Virtual video course content

During normal circumstances at this time of the year we would be inviting pupils and applicants into the College so that they can get a true feel of our campuses and meet their prospective tutors.

As our campuses are closed during the lockdown period, we wanted to share with you some of our virtual video content that showcases not only the courses we have on offer but allows you to see our facilities for yourself.

In each upcoming bulletin edition we will be releasing a number of YouTube links that relate to each of our curriculum departments, allowing you to have easy access to the relevant information.

This week we have Animal Care, Automotive and Business.



Facilities Tour - <https://bit.ly/3608rnF>

Case Study - <https://bit.ly/3sVorl5>



AUTOMOTIVE

Facilities Tour - <https://bit.ly/2YhcQi9>

Meet the tutors - <https://bit.ly/3iBw4li>

Case Study - <https://bit.ly/363deom>

BUSINESS



Meet the tutors - <https://bit.ly/2Mh50C1>

Case Study - <https://bit.ly/3qJEdNI>

Labour Market Information

When making decisions about your future, it can be really useful to research Labour Market Information. To support you in doing this, we have created a range of informative snapshots of each industry to share some insight into salary expectations and jobs available.

This week is our final selection of LMI cards, we hope you have found these useful and informative. If you would like to refresh your memory on these or would like another copy sending over to share with your pupils, please contact your link adviser or contact slt@tmc.ac.uk and we can share them once again with you.

This week we have Teacher & Education, Travel Tourism & Aviation and Visual Arts. You can find the digital copy of these LMI card attached.



*****Follow us on Social Media*****

If you feel any colleagues would benefit from receiving this email, then please let us know and we can add them to our mailing list.

Also, be sure to follow us on social media to see what we have been up to and for some useful tips and activities.

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