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Dear Parent / Carer

At Wakefield College we have a range of courses which we deliver to school age students at our campuses.

In recent years we have received an increased number of enquiries from parents of Elected Home Educated (EHE) children, looking at an accredited, vocational qualification to support the learning their children are accessing at home.

Our Early College Transfer provision is a long-established programme and aims to offer a challenging alternative curriculum. It provides an opportunity for students in Year 11 to complete part of their final year of compulsory education with us at College. This programme is available to young people in schools and also those who are elected home educated.

ECT is a provision where students attend College for 3 days each week (maximum of 15 hours) and are in-filled into a post-16 group in a vocational subject area of their choice – typically at Level 1 and Entry Level 3.

Learners will combine this subject with GCSE qualifications in Mathematics and English and will take an assessment at enrolment to determine their level.

The ECT programme is ideal for students who are eager to pursue a vocational post-16 pathway and it provides them with a head start and a guaranteed progression route into post-16 study, subject to successful completion and compliance with agreed behaviour and attendance requirements.

The programme has seen many successes over the last 10 years and helped to keep school-age learners engaged in education. These courses provide students with the opportunity of accessing courses in a mature and specialised environment and sees many of our Early College Transfer students progress into post 16 education with us at the College.

To find out more please contact Sandra Lockett (School Partnerships Coordinator) on S.lockett@wakefield.ac.uk or call 01924 789742 once college is reopened.

Yours faithfully,



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