

## **Year 11 Action Plan**

Begin to think about what you want to do at the end of Year 11 and also in the long term.

Discuss your plans with parents/carers.

Do some research- see useful websites overleaf.

### **Applying to Altrincham College 6th form**

Altrincham College virtual open day is on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Look on the school website [www.altrinchamcollege.com](http://www.altrinchamcollege.com) under 6<sup>th</sup> form tab for details on courses available etc.

Applications need to be in by the beginning of December.

Choose courses that you know you will enjoy and are good at. If you have a university course in mind, make sure that you have chosen the right subjects. You can check on [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) – course search, to check entrance requirements. Also see 'Choosing A Level subjects' – copy available from your careers adviser.

### **Applying to other 6<sup>th</sup> form/colleges**

Make sure you look on college/6<sup>th</sup> form websites and attend open days/virtual open days to find out more about the college, entrance requirements and whether they offer the course/s that you want to do. Consider how long it may take you to travel to the college. Check the "6<sup>th</sup> form & college open evening leaflet" provided by your careers adviser for dates & times of open evenings.

As a general rule most applications should be sent to college/6<sup>th</sup> form by December.

Entry to some 6<sup>th</sup> form colleges is quite competitive e.g. Loreto, Xaverian & Aquinas college, recommend that you apply early.

Application forms are available to complete/download on college 6<sup>th</sup> form websites. Your careers adviser has paper copies or you can pick them up at open evenings.

### **Applying for apprenticeships.**

Most apprenticeships for Year 11 students are advertised on the National Apprenticeship website – [www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship](http://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship) from March 2021 onwards. An odd vacancy may be posted from December 2020.

It's a good idea to start looking on the website to get an idea of opportunities available. Also see other Apprenticeship websites overleaf.

You will need to create an account before you can apply for vacancies.

You can also apply directly to training providers (organisations that provide training for employers offering apprenticeships)- your careers adviser can provide a list of these.

Make sure you have an up-to-date CV; some employers will require a copy.

Let your friends, family & contacts know that you are looking as they may be aware of apprenticeship opportunities.

Sign up to Altrincham College Instagram account @ac.careersandenterprise and AC Facebook account for information on opportunities.

## **Careers Information**

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk> Explore jobs profiles and find out what a job involves.

[www.icould.com](http://www.icould.com) Real-life career videos. Take the Buzz Quiz to see careers that suit you.

[www.careersbox.co.uk](http://www.careersbox.co.uk) Online careers library of career films, news and information.

<https://www.startprofile.com> Complete the 'About Me' profile and see what jobs suit you. You will need to register.

[www.stepintothens.nhs.uk](http://www.stepintothens.nhs.uk) Explore the huge variety of Health Care roles in the NHS, including information on the entry requirements and skills that you will need.

<https://www.lawcareers.net/Starting-Out> One-stop online careers resource created for future lawyers and other legal professionals.

## **Apprenticeships**

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> Search and apply for apprenticeships.

<https://www.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk/jobs> Apprenticeships and school leaver programmes.

[www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk](http://www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk) Information on apprenticeships and employers.

[www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk](http://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk) Apprenticeships and traineeship jobs.

[www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk) A list of job opportunities for school leavers.

[www.totalpeople.co.uk](http://www.totalpeople.co.uk) Search for apprenticeships.

## **Higher Education**

[www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) Official site for searching Higher Education courses and applying to University.

[www.prospects.ac.uk](http://www.prospects.ac.uk) Which jobs match your degree.

<https://www.ukcoursefinder.com> Course and University search.

[www.thecompleteuniversityguide.com](http://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.com) Independent UK University league tables.

<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance> Information on student finance at University.

## **Colleges & 6<sup>th</sup> forms**

### **Colleges**

[www.trafford.ac.uk](http://www.trafford.ac.uk)  
[www.tmc.ac.uk](http://www.tmc.ac.uk)  
[www.stockport.ac.uk](http://www.stockport.ac.uk)  
[www.salfordcc.ac.uk](http://www.salfordcc.ac.uk)

### **Music/Media Colleges**

[www.bimm.co.uk](http://www.bimm.co.uk)  
[www.accessmusic.co.uk](http://www.accessmusic.co.uk)  
  
[www.utcmidiacity.org.uk](http://www.utcmidiacity.org.uk)

### **School 6<sup>th</sup> Forms**

[www.altrinchamcollege.com](http://www.altrinchamcollege.com)  
[www.aggs.trafford.sch.uk](http://www.aggs.trafford.sch.uk)  
[www.agsb.co.uk](http://www.agsb.co.uk)  
[www.aomsixthform.ac.uk](http://www.aomsixthform.ac.uk)  
[www.salegrammar.co.uk](http://www.salegrammar.co.uk)  
[www.wellington-scholl.co.uk](http://www.wellington-scholl.co.uk)  
[www.st-ambrosecollege.org.uk](http://www.st-ambrosecollege.org.uk)  
[www.knutsfordcademy.org.uk](http://www.knutsfordcademy.org.uk)  
[www.bthcc.org.uk](http://www.bthcc.org.uk)  
[www.lymmhigh.org.uk](http://www.lymmhigh.org.uk)  
[www.urmstongrammar.com](http://www.urmstongrammar.com)

### **School 6<sup>th</sup> Forms**

[www.stretfordgrammar.com](http://www.stretfordgrammar.com)  
[www.trinityhigh.com](http://www.trinityhigh.com)  
[www.loretogrammar.co.uk](http://www.loretogrammar.co.uk)  
  
**Agricultural Colleges**  
[www.reaseheath.ac.uk](http://www.reaseheath.ac.uk)  
[www.myerscough.ac.uk](http://www.myerscough.ac.uk)

### **6<sup>th</sup> Form Colleges**

[www.loreto.ac.uk](http://www.loreto.ac.uk)  
[www.xaverian.ac.uk](http://www.xaverian.ac.uk)  
[www.aquinas.ac.uk](http://www.aquinas.ac.uk)  
[www.sjd.ac.uk](http://www.sjd.ac.uk)  
[www.camsfc.ac.uk](http://www.camsfc.ac.uk)