

## **COLLEGE APPLICATIONS: INFORMATION FROM COLLEGES FOR YEAR 11 STUDENTS, PARENTS & GUARDIANS**



Latest information with regard to Coronavirus updates for applicants via the following link:

<https://www.wigan-leigh.ac.uk/about/coronavirus-update/applicants>

Key points from the Anna Dawe, Principal of Wigan & Leigh College  
Year 11 School Leavers – Their place for September 2020 is safe

The impact of the methodology for awarding GCSE grades is not yet known but we are already committed, where appropriate, to looking at a wider picture than those single grades for our applicants.

When GCSE grades are issued, students will be able to work with the College admissions team to ensure they are on the right course at the right level. Where students may have missed the level of course they applied for, other factors may be taken into consideration such as predicted grades, discussions with a student's previous school and progress made during the initial weeks at College.

Anyone applying for an Apprenticeship will be supported in finding employment as an apprentice and contact will be made with students if an employer within their chosen subject has a vacancy. The College is however aware that there may be a reduction in the number of apprenticeship vacancies as a consequence of the current situation. Apprenticeship applicants will have a place reserved on a full-time study programme if they have been unable to find an employment vacancy prior to starting at College.

To maximize the chance of securing apprenticeship employment, applicants must submit their CV, so that College can market them to appropriate employers. Students must email CVs to the College at [apprenticeships@wigan-leigh.ac.uk](mailto:apprenticeships@wigan-leigh.ac.uk) by Friday 24 April 2020.

If students have not yet had an admissions interview for the College, our Admissions Team will be in contact via telephone shortly.

The College will ensure that we are kept up to date over the coming months and if students require anything further regarding their application and place at the College, they can contact the Admissions team at [applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk](mailto:applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk)

Student support and resources for preparing for college will follow shortly and we will continue to work closely with you at this uncertain time.



**BOLTON COLLEGE**

Whilst our buildings are closed to visitors we will be carrying out interviews by phone.

After Easter we will move to making telephone interview calls during the day and booked appointments will no longer be in operation. We will text / email anyone who has already booked an evening date/time to update them on the revised arrangements. New applicants will be told we will ring them for an interview during the day in the

near future. Our central helpline is closed, however, we can still be contacted via our LiveChat service using the pop up window on our website or via email to [info@boltoncc.ac.uk](mailto:info@boltoncc.ac.uk) The Admissions Team can be contacted via [admissions@boltoncc.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@boltoncc.ac.uk)



## **BOLTON SIXTH FORM**

Please do not worry about your place at The Sixth Form for September 2020. If you have already been interviewed and offered a place, your enrolment interview will take place in August as normal. If you have not yet been interviewed, we will interview you later in the academic year and we will contact you with details about this as soon as we can.



## **ST JOHN RIGBY COLLEGE**

Our offer of a place to students is due to us having identified that they want to study at SJR and, therefore, we want them to be here. Their choice of courses can still be altered between now and the start of Year 12 and the combination of subjects will be discussed again at enrolment alongside any additional information that emerges regarding GCSE qualifications. Given that it seems likely that there will be an extended period of time during which our young people will not be in schools, we have provided some materials which might be of interest to them and which will almost certainly be of benefit to them when they begin college. I would advise that your son/daughter acts on the instructions being given from school and prioritises any work that they are setting. However, if they then want to challenge themselves to do some 'bridging work' in the subjects that they are considering studying at college, they can access some additional work via this link: [http://sjr.ac.uk/y11\\_subject\\_guides2.asp](http://sjr.ac.uk/y11_subject_guides2.asp) Should students develop a thirst for further work, please contact us via [newstudents@sjr.ac.uk](mailto:newstudents@sjr.ac.uk) and we will try to source some additional resources to occupy you at home and motivate you ahead of starting at SJR.



## **WARRINGTON & VALE ROYAL COLLEGE**

We are still accepting applications for September 2020. Students can apply online by searching for the course they are interested in on our 'study with us' webpage (<https://www.wvr.ac.uk/courses-and-apprenticeships/>). If they find something they like, simply click on the 'apply for this course' button. They can then easily create an account online and apply for the course they are interested in. Key points from their letter which will be sent out: If you are awaiting a college interview, please note that these have been postponed. We are in the process of looking at telephone interview arrangements and will contact you directly as soon as these are confirmed. Anyone applying for an apprenticeship will continue to be supported in finding employment as an apprentice and you will be contacted if an employer within your chosen subject has a vacancy. As a consequence of these uncertain times, the college anticipates a reduction in the number of apprenticeship vacancies, however all apprenticeship applicants will have a place reserved on a full-time course if they have been unable to secure an apprenticeship vacancy prior to September. Moreover, following the government's announcement about exams and qualifications, please rest assured that your application will not be in any way disadvantaged because of the exceptional circumstances in which qualifications are having to be awarded this year. Please expect further updates over the coming months, as we aim to keep you as informed as possible. If you have any further questions regarding your application and place at college, please do not hesitate to contact our admissions team on [applications@wvr.ac.uk](mailto:applications@wvr.ac.uk).



## **WINSTANLEY COLLEGE**

Winstanley College have emailed all students who have applied. Any students who have not applied at all will go on a waiting list.

Deanery 6<sup>th</sup> Form College have sent individual letters to all students who have applied.

<https://www.deanery.wigan.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/Sixth-Form-Applicant-20th-March.pdf>



## THE MUSIC PROJECT

All of our course subjects, qualifications and levels are available to browse on our website, if you require any more information at all please don't hesitate to get in touch at;

[martinheaton@music-projects.com](mailto:martinheaton@music-projects.com) (Music Performance & Technology course details)

[hannahthompson@music-projects.com](mailto:hannahthompson@music-projects.com) (Digital Media, SFX & Graphic Design course details)

[jackiemanning@music-projects.com](mailto:jackiemanning@music-projects.com) (Head of School, Funding and Learner Support)

<https://music-projects.com/enrol-online> and complete the online application.



## St Helens College **ST HELENS COLLEGE**

We are still accepting applications for September 2020, however, due to the situation with Coronavirus, which has led to the temporary closure of the College, we are changing the process for interviews and the issuing of "offers".

We are currently suspending face-to-face interviews and aim to reinstate them as soon as we are able to do so. In the meantime, you will receive a "Conditional Offer" letter via email.

<https://www.sthelens.ac.uk/how-to-apply/577-schoolleavers-howtoapply>