Careers Guidance Team- Learning and Skills Service Northumberland County Council

Who we are and what we do

We are a team of fully qualified and experienced careers/ IAG advisers (Advisers all have significant experience of both universal and targeted work and are all qualified to level 6/ post-graduate diploma). We are here to support young people aged 16-18 who are not in education, employment or training. We offer impartial guidance and can help you find the opportunities you are looking for, tell you about courses, apprenticeships, traineeships, supported internships, supported employment services in your area, plan a route to the career you want, help you to improve your job search skills and help with benefits (including JSA hardship, child benefit and Access to Work). We do not offer a specialist benefit advice service but have access to independent advice from Welfare Rights. We cover all of Northumberland and can arrange to meet you in a town close to your home. If you are 16-18 and not in education, employment or training, please get in touch with us on 01670 622799 or e-mail careersteam@northumberland.gov.uk to find out more about how we can help you.

Information for young people in Schools

Schools now have responsibility to provide impartial careers IAG to their pupils. Northumberland Careers Guidance Team can offer tailor made service level agreements for schools which is costed. We currently provide IAG to young people deemed at risk of NEET (including those with Special Education Needs and those in Education Other Than At School-EOTAS) in school via a request for support process. The support and guidance that we can offer young people in schools provides a smooth transition into education, employment and training post 16. We are able to offer groupwork to schools for pupils in Year 9 with additional needs to look at post 16 options in relation to Preparing for Adulthood.

Northumberland Education Business Partnership

Northumberland EBP is the easy access; impartial first stop shop which brokers employer engagement in schools delivering services of such high quality it is considered an entitlement by students.

The role of NEBP is to bring schools, businesses and other parties together to create an effective range of mutually beneficial work related learning activities to help prepare our young people for the World of Work. We have worked with young people from aged 5 to 19

All Northumberland schools, including our Special Schools, are invited (through Northumberland County Council's SLA offer) to participate in the Business Ambassador and Apprentice Ambassador Programme.

We are able to work with any school requesting support to help prepare their young people for the World of Work is introducing and improving employability skills, job awareness, self-employment, STEM, Career Days, Sector Tour Bus Events, Apprenticeship Workshops, Career Speed Dating Events, On-site visits to work with employers, 6th Form Conferences, Women Into Enterprise and lots more (please note the EBP is a costed provision)