

# WARRINGTON & VALE ROYAL COLLEGE

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**Warrington  
& Vale Royal  
College**



# BEST CAREER ROUTE FOR ME?

## VOCATIONAL

Vocational courses are a great way of gaining a qualification if you prefer a practical, hands-on approach to learning.

## APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships allow you to work and study at the same time. You will combine practical training in your workplace with studying at college - earning whilst you learn.





# CAREERS/COURSE ADVICE

- Think about your **strongest school subjects** and which you enjoy the most.
- What is your **personality** like? Caring, energetic, artistic?
- What do you **love** doing? Sport, art, dance? It's important to enjoy your course and future career.
- This is **your life**. Try not to follow your friends, remember to make your own decisions.



# VOCATIONAL COURSES

Applied Science

Art & Design

Beauty Therapy

Bricklaying

Business

Carpentry & Joinery

Childcare

Construction

Creative & Digital Media

Digital & IT

Electrical Installation

Engineering

Esports (Electronic Sports)

Fashion Innovation - **NEW for 2023!**

Games Design

Graphic Design

Hairdressing

Health & Social Care

Hospitality & Catering

Media Make-up

Motor Vehicle

Performing & Production Arts

Plumbing

Public Services

Sport

Travel & Tourism

Vocational Studies



# MYTH BUSTING

**X** “Vocational qualifications are for people who don’t do well at school”

**X** “Vocational qualifications aren’t as good as A Levels”

**X** “I cannot apply to university with a vocational qualification”



# APPRENTICESHIPS

Accountancy

Bricklaying

Business Administration

Carpentry & Joinery

Customer Services

Data Technician – **NEW!**

Electrical Installation

Engineering

Hairdressing – **NEW!**

Human Resources

ICT

Laboratory Technician

Motor Vehicle

Plumbing

Science Technician – **NEW!**



It's a match! Did you know that we have our very own apprenticeship matching service?

**apprenticeships@wvr.ac.uk**





# AIM HIGH

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Providing learning opportunities for all students, all levels.  
We have a course to suit everyone!

### ENTRY LEVEL

**No minimum grades required.**

Everyday skills in reading and writing, basic literacy and numeracy skills and a willingness to learn.

### LEVEL 1

**Minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 2 or above.**

### LEVEL 2

**Minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and/or English, or successful completion of a level 1 course.**

If you have a GCSE grade 3 or lower in English and/or maths you will have to resit alongside your course.

### LEVEL 3

**Minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and/or English, or successful completion of a level 2 course.**

If you have a GCSE grade 3 or lower in English and/or maths you will have to resit alongside your course.



# YOU CAN RESIT YOUR ENGLISH & MATHS WITH US!

- We encourage you to try and strive for **grade 4s and above** in your English and maths GCSEs.
- However if you don't manage to achieve 4s in your English/maths we can help you achieve it at college with the help of our specialist tutors.
- Your timetable will include weekly sessions to study for your GCSE English/maths, **alongside your main course.**





# WHY CHOOSE US?

- ‘**Good**’ rating in our latest **Ofsted** inspection (October 2019)
- Outstanding results! Almost a third of our Level 3 students achieved **Triple Distinction Star**- equivalent to 3 A\* grades at A Level.
- Record number of Level 3 students progressing to their **first choice university**.
- Thousands of students choose us each year, due to our strong and varied links with employers.
- **98%** of students are happy on their course, and **99%** say their tutors know their subjects well.







## WORK PLACEMENT

You'll be given the opportunity to work alongside high-profile employers, gaining valuable **hands on experience**.

## EMPLOYER LINKS

We benefit from working with some **high-profile employers** including the NHS, Redrow Homes, Cheshire Police and Warrington Wolves.



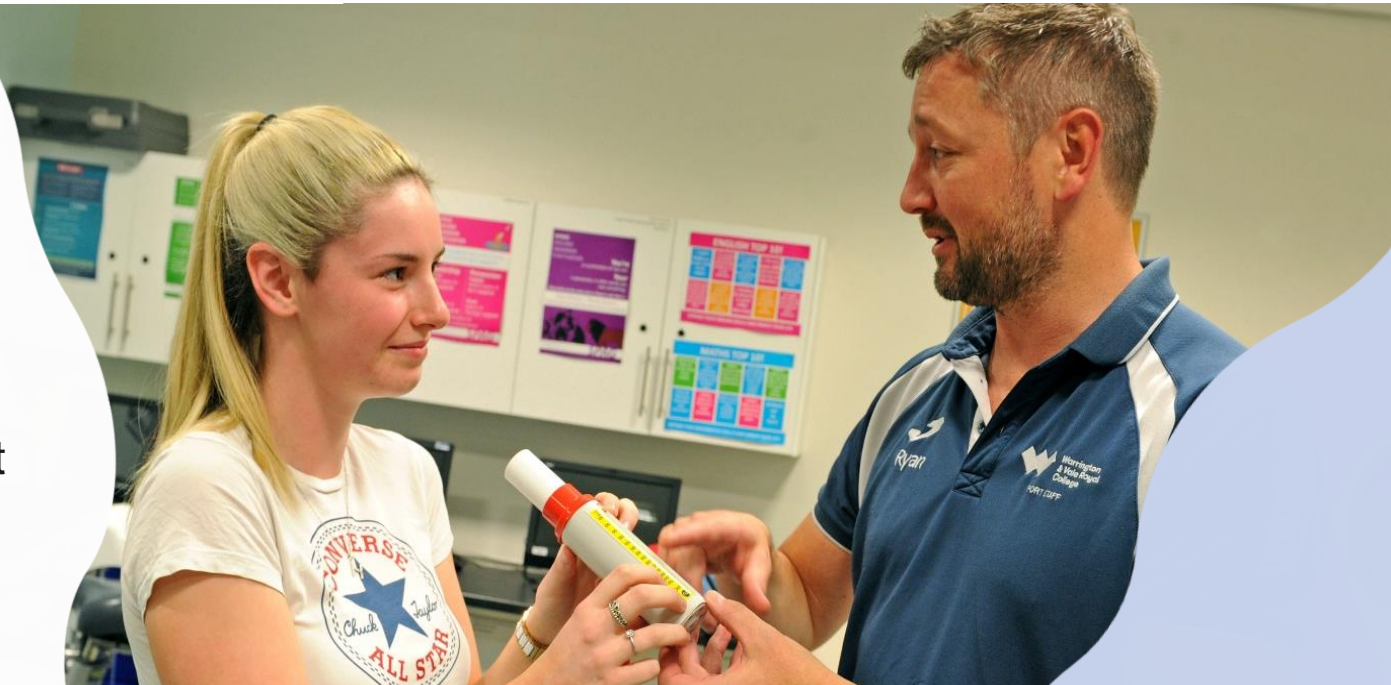


# INDUSTRY EXPERIENCED TUTORS

Our **experienced tutors** are industry experts and are passionate about their subject, bringing a wealth of **current skills and knowledge** to their teaching. Graphics & Media Subject Leader Ellie takes on freelance work in her spare time!

# ONE-TO-ONE SUPPORT

Our students comes first. You will be allocated a **Progress Coach** and **1:1 support** who will support you during your time at college.



# COMPETITIONS, SHOWCASES & EXHIBITIONS

**Bring it on!** We're proud of our students' achievements and encourage them to share their skills and successes.

Our students take part in cross-college and national competitions and showcase their work in local exhibitions.

- Performing & Production Arts putting on their annual Christmas show
- The work of our Art & Design students being displayed at Warrington Art Gallery
- Catering masterclass with past students Jack & Russell





# THE FUN STUFF!

**It's not all work and no play!**

There's always an event or trip you can get involved with!

- Enrichment
- Trips & Travel
- Student Council
- Sports & Recreation
- Themed Events
- Clubs & Societies







# WARRINGTON CAMPUS

Our Warrington campus houses industry-standard facilities, including **The Academy** hair and beauty centre, fully-equipped **construction and engineering workshops**, a fully fitted **mechanics garage**, our award-winning restaurant **Buckley's** and an impressive 160 seat **theatre**.

We are looking forward to launching a **Health and Social Care Academy**, working closely with healthcare providers such as Warrington & Halton NHS Foundation Trust to train students in health professions.





# AMET

Advanced Manufacturing  
& Engineering Training Centre

- Centre of Excellence for **Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering.**
- Funding from the Local Enterprise Partnership means our students can benefit from **specialist workshops** and brand new **industry-standard equipment.**
- The centre offers a range of courses and apprenticeships in **Engineering and Electrical Installation.**
- We are working closely with **local employers** to develop our curriculum and ensure our students gain the most in-demand skills.



# FREE COLLEGE BUS

## TRAVELLING TO COLLEGE COULDN'T BE EASIER!

Our Warrington campus is well connected and serviced by excellent public transport links.

## WARRINGTON CAMPUS

Dedicated college buses transporting students to and from our Warrington campus from the listed locations.

Register at [wvr.ac.uk/bus](http://wvr.ac.uk/bus)

### NEW FOR 2022!







# FREE BREAKFAST!

**All our 16-18 year old students  
receive a **FREE** breakfast, upon  
arrival at the college.**

**What a great way to start your day!**

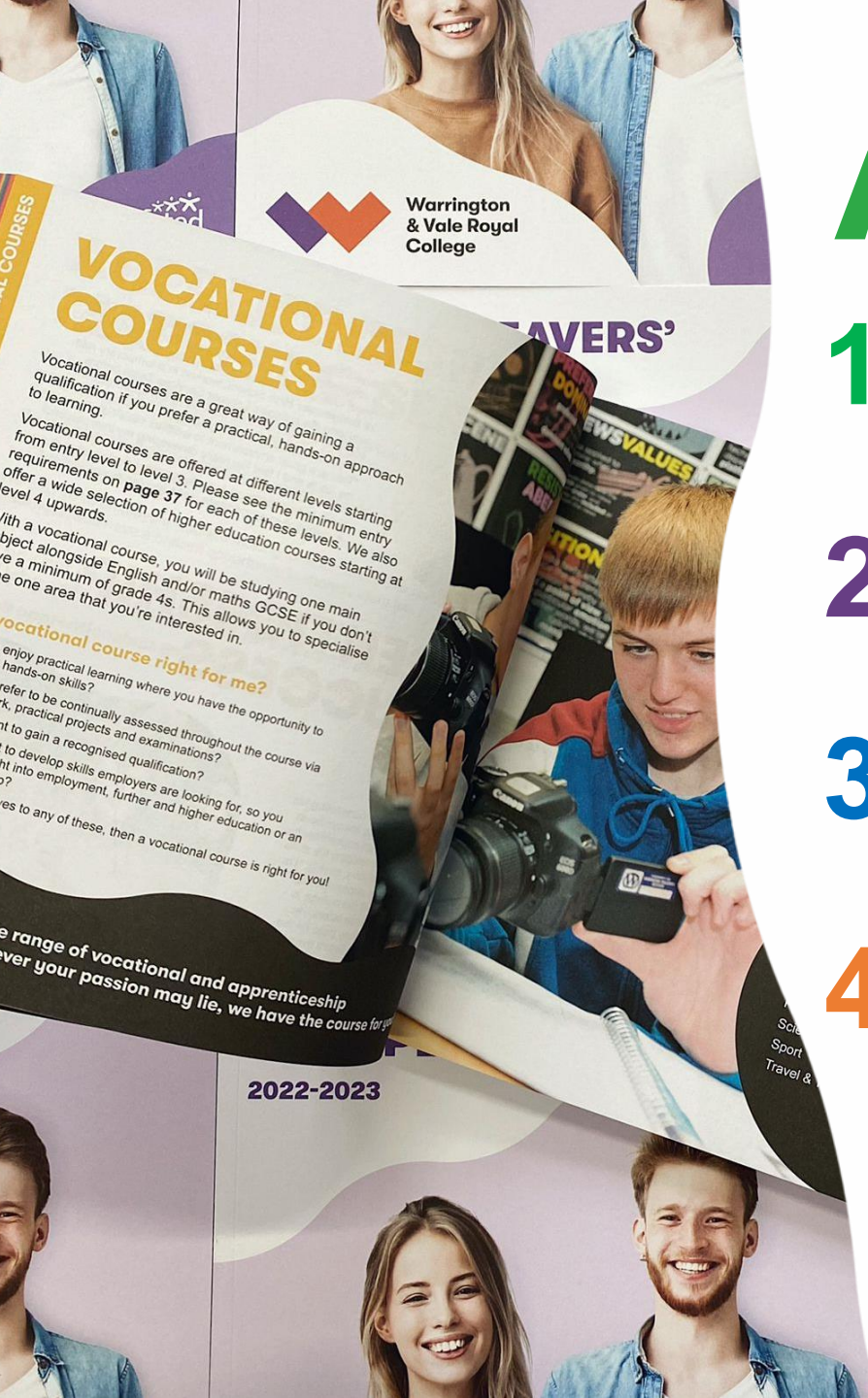


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# APPLYING TO COLLEGE

- 1 Apply online or fill in the application form in your prospectus
- 2 Attend a course discussion - in person/school/on the phone
- 3 Attend our events - **Open Evening, Taster Day, Sample Evening**
- 4 Enrol onto the course - on GCSE results day

Follow us on social media!  
**@wvrcollege**







# OPEN EVENINGS

**2022**

**Monday 3rd October**

**5pm-8pm**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October**

**5pm-8pm**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

**5pm-8pm**

**2023**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**

**5pm-8pm**

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# MY STORY...

## HARRISON DAVIES

### LEVEL 1 CARPENTRY & JOINERY LYMM HIGH SCHOOL

Harrison wanted to study a **practical subject** after finishing school and is now well on his way to achieving his **Level 1 Carpentry & Joinery** qualification here at Warrington & Vale Royal College.

Harrison is enjoying his course and feels his tutor is **helping him closer to his future career** plans: "Dave always demonstrates well and helps us one-to-one. He **treats us maturely** and we're kept very busy!"

After completing his course, Harrison plans to move on to an **apprenticeship** or progress to the next level of study here at college.





# CLASS OF 2021

**THIS COULD BE YOU NEXT SEPTEMBER!**

- L Crane
- E Davies
- H Davies
- M Deane
- C Garratt
- H Hanley
- R Harrison
- E Hewitt
- C Mai Hill
- T Holbrook
- W Kawecki
- K Kitchingman
- M Lawrinson
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- T Lloyd
- J Lockley
- M McElwane
- A Millington
- H Morgan
- A Nightingale
- H Orr
- G Platt
- K Pritchard
- M Pritchard
- B Richardson
- A Rowlands

- S Rutter
- J Scutt
- W Stout
- K Tajfar
- H Talbot
- C Tang
- O Taylor
- A Taylor
- O Wardle
- F Wesson
- K White
- G Wright

**47**  
**students**  
**enrolled**  
**with us in**  
**September!**



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**THANK YOU  
FOR WATCHING!**

