

AT HOME CAREERS SUPPORT - KS4 CAREER DISCOVERY DAY

We are pleased to inform you that your child will soon be participating in a Career Discovery Day Activity at school during the school day. This activity is being hosted jointly by Elevate Education Business Partnership and your school. This inspiring session offers students a golden opportunity to meet a wide range of employers, colleges, universities and training providers in the Liverpool City Region.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN

Before the Fair: Students will start with a brief class discussion to talk about the Careers Discovery event and think of questions that will help them gather useful and relevant information.

During the Fair: Students will have time to visit a variety of stands, completing a worksheet recording information they would like to remember or find interesting.

After the Fair: Students will reflect on their experience with their teachers in follow-up lessons considering which career paths interest them the most.



Preparation is key, so here are some top tips on what to focus on when helping your child prepare:

To make the most of this experience, we encourage you to chat with your child beforehand. Explain that the Careers Fair is a chance to explore different options and find out what suits their interests and strengths.

Discuss their interests: Encourage your child to think about subjects or activities they enjoy and how these might link to future careers.

Help them prepare questions such as:

- *What qualifications or skills are needed for this career?*
- *What routes can I take after Year 11 or Sixth Form?*
- *What is the best part about working in this industry?*
- *Remind them to take notes to record useful information.*



ON THE DAY

Encourage them to be confident and polite. Suggest they collect leaflets or note down things that take their interest and speak to a range of people even from areas they may not have considered before. Ask questions! Take the opportunity to find out more.

WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL LEARN

- **Confidence and Maturity** - helping them feel more comfortable speaking to adults in different situations.
- **Develop skills** - build communication techniques - asking questions, making eye contact, present themselves positively.
- **Research & Listening** - gathering useful details and understanding information about different careers, courses and training routes.
- **Networking** - building initial connections with professionals and learning how to engage with future opportunities.



REFLECT AND EXPLORE

After the event, talk to your child about their experience and what they learned.

Encourage reflection:

- *What did they learn about different careers or courses?*
- *Did anything make them rethink their plans or spark new ideas?*

Help them take next steps:

- *Research any employers, courses, or training providers they found appealing.*
- *Encourage them to attend open days or speak with the school's Careers Adviser for more guidance.*

Celebrate their efforts — recognising their curiosity and confidence helps build motivation for future opportunities.

If you work for a business that would like to get involved in inspiring the next generation of young people, please contact Tina Baker on:

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Your child will practice these skills during this activity

