

3 Key Pathway Options – All allow progress to work or higher education - Which is right for you?

Mixed Course

- *A-level – BTEC - Applied*
- **Basic entry requirements** are 5 GCSE's at grades 9-4 including English & Maths – Some courses can require higher or specific grades
- Typically choose 3 courses (2 years)
- Can be a combination of A-levels *and* BTECs
- Varied timetable & broad options
- Mixing in applied / BTEC subjects can make things more practical
- Consider how courses are assessed – (Exams vs coursework) to balance timetable
- **Example:** Geography A-level / Graphic Communication A-level / Applied Law BTEC
- **Destination examples:** Worthing BHASVIC
Varndean Angmering Chichester Collyers

Single Course

- *BTEC / Certificate / Diploma / T-Level*
- **Range of entry requirements** from No GCSE's to 5 GCSE's at 9-5 including English & Maths
- **Industry focus** – Practical - Learn about real world application of learning – Work experience
- Choose 1 course only (1 year)
- Each year allows progression onto the next level in the same or maybe a different area
- Assessment is mainly through coursework and evidence presentation, writing and good standard of work will be required.
- **Industry Examples:** Childcare, Engineering, Sport, Motor, Construction, Digital, Design, Healthcare, Creative, Travel, Work Skills
- **Destination examples:** Northbrook
Chichester GB Met BN1 Worthing DV8

Apprenticeship

- *Employer Contract - Certificate*
- **Range of entry requirements** – Maths & English grade 4 will increase chance of success – Higher grades will show what you're capable of but not always important
- **Pros:** Get paid, feel mature, get benefits, Very practical learning
- **Cons:** Long hours, responsibility, it can be a lot of work to secure one
- **Very practical** – Learn by doing – Get qualified by working in an industry that interests you
- You do not apply to apprenticeships through colleges – You need to find an employer who is willing to offer you a job
- You will be assessed by observations and presentation of evidence both in work and at the associated training provider.
- **Example local employers:** Toby Carvery
Shoreham Port Thames Water Rampion