

Leaving Year 11

Sheffield
Futures



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If you're looking for apprenticeships and jobs, check out **Opportunity Hour** for the latest vacancy news. It happens every Thursday, 1.00-2.00pm, on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook: [padlet.com/inspire_sy/preventingyouthunemployment](https://www.padlet.com/inspire_sy/preventingyouthunemployment)

There are lots of other useful websites including:

www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

www.amazingapprenticeships.com/vacancies

www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk

If you're missing out on apprenticeships because you don't have enough experience, check out **work based learning**, e.g. traineeships and study programmes: www.gov.uk/find-traineeship

Sheffield City Council Community Youth Services can help you look for apprenticeships or work based learning, and give advice about applications, CVs, interviews and benefits.

You can use their careers helpline from **June 1st** so, if you've any questions, big or small, call them on: **0114 273 4462** Mon-Fri 9.00am-5.00pm or email: cyt_tys@sheffield.gov.uk.

If you've applied for college or sixth form, look out for messages about offers, transition events and enrolments. These might come through Sheffield Progress (if you applied this way) or through letter / email / text. Always check whether you need to reply or take any other action and if so, whether there is a deadline.

If you have applied for a course but not yet had an offer, contact the college or school.

College and sixth form enrolments normally begin on, or very soon after, GCSE results day, August 25th. If you have an offer of a place, the college or school should let you know what you need to do.

If you've not applied for a course yet there might still be time but do it quickly before courses fill up. Contact the school or college first to check if they still have places and to ask how you should apply.



GCSE results day is Thursday 25th August. If you achieve the grades needed for your course then your place will be confirmed. If you don't get the grades then there will be people, such as college / sixth form staff and careers advisers, on hand to help.

For further support, call the Community Youth Services careers helpline:
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Your **Child Benefit** should continue until age 20 if you're in full time study or unpaid work based learning (e.g. a traineeship or study programme). Otherwise it ends on 31st August, or earlier if you start work before then. If you're still not fixed up, you may be able to claim **Child Benefit Extension** for a bit longer. Visit: www.gov.uk/child-benefit-16-19 for details.

If you're in full time study or unpaid work based learning and face hardship, you might be able to claim the 16-19 Bursary. You must be age 16-19 (up to 25 with an Education, Health and Care Plan). Visit: www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund for details.

Benefits

If you're under 18, benefits such as Universal Credit are normally only paid in special cases, e.g. if you're estranged from your family. Visit: www.gov.uk/universal-credit for details.

Help with travel

The Zoom 16-18 Travel pass lets you travel for 80p on local buses, trams and for half fare on Northern trains. Visit: www.travelsouthyorkshire.com for details.

Feeling anxious?

The last couple of years have been really tough for young people. If things are starting to get to you, Sheffield Futures is here to help.

Visit: www.sheffieldfutures.org.uk/young-people/mental-health-projects to find out more.