



PioneerHouse
HIGH SCHOOL

16-19 STUDY PROGRAMME



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The 16 – 19 vocational learning study programme at Pioneer House High School offers each student a personalised curriculum offer which combines accredited qualifications and other activities all of which are tailored to each student's prior attainment and career goals.

Our study programme has the core aim of ensuring that our students are extremely well prepared for their next steps and has a clear emphasis on personal development and employability. The programme is tailored to the needs of the individual and includes the following Gateway Qualifications accredited courses in the following subjects at Entry Level:

- English
- Mathematics
- Preparation for Employment
- Personal Development and Employability
- Skills for Independent Living

From September 2020 students will have access to accredited learning opportunities in:

- Hospitality and Catering
- Land Based Studies
- Digital Skills for Work

In addition, students access non accredited learning in the following subjects:

- Physical Education,
- Young Citizen and Careers,
- Healthy Lifestyles,
- Creative Arts
- Computing.
- Young Money (from September 2020)

All students also participate in a weekly work experience programme and enrichment opportunities whereby they are able to work towards the Duke of Edinburgh Award and the Prince's Trust Award in Personal Development and Employability. These additional opportunities serve to complement the other elements of the programme and support the student to progress to further education or employment.

Breadth and Depth of Learning

At Pioneer House High School our 16-19 study programme offers our students a broad and balanced curriculum without limiting their options for future study or work. We ensure that all our students regardless of ability are able to gain real experience and knowledge of the workplace which in turn supports the development of their independence and at the same time enhances their employability skills.

At Pioneer House High School, we continually strive for the best for all of our students and our 16-19 study programme is designed to provide students with a structured and challenging learning programme that supports their development and progression in line with their future aspirations and career programmes. To this end we ensure that our students have access to:

- qualifications that stretch and challenge them whilst at the same time preparing them for education at the next level or for entry into employment
- a functional English and Mathematics curriculum
- meaningful work experience which provides students with the opportunity to develop their career choices and to apply their developing skills in real working conditions
- Enrichment activities which help to develop our students' independence, resilience broader skills, attitudes and confidence, and support progression.

Work Experience

Work experience is a key component of our 16 to 19 study programme. The term work experience refers to all forms of work-related activity including work tasters, running a student enterprise, participation in community projects, volunteering or a work placement arranged with an external employer. Our work experience offer, aims to provide our students with the opportunity to develop their career choices, experience a real- life working environment and develop the necessary employability skills they will require as they make the transition into adulthood.

At Pioneer House High School all of the learning opportunities on our 16-19 study programme are planned to take account of the student's needs as outlined in their Education and Health Care Plan alongside their interests and future aspirations. We ensure that all of our work placements:

- Are fully risk assessed with a named person responsible within the organisation for the management of the work placement.
- allows students to apply the skills learned in the classroom to a real life working environment.

- Are undertaken under the direction and supervision of a member of the Pioneer House High School Staff taking into consideration the student's needs as outlined in their Education and Health Care Plan to ensure the young person obtains a genuine learning experience suited to their needs
- Are underpinned by a structured plan with clear learning outcomes
- Support the employer to engage effectively with the programme to provide essential feedback based on the young person's performance

Accredited Learning Opportunities

Accredited qualifications offered as Part of the Pioneer House High School 16-19 Study Programme are as follows:

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Qualification</u>
English	Gateway Qualifications Entry Level Certificate in English
Mathematics	Gateway Qualifications Entry Level Certificate in Mathematics
Computing	Gateway Qualifications Entry Level Award in Digital Skills for Work
Employability and Independence	Gateway Qualifications Entry Level Certificate in Skills for Independent Living Gateway Qualifications Entry Level Certificate in Preparation for Employment
Vocational Learning	Gateway Qualifications Entry Level Certificate in Skills for the Land Based Sector (Entry 3) Gateway Qualifications Entry Level Certificate in Skills for Hospitality and Catering (Entry 3)
Enrichment	Prince's Trust Award in Personal Development and Employability Duke of Edinburgh Award (Bronze/ Silver)