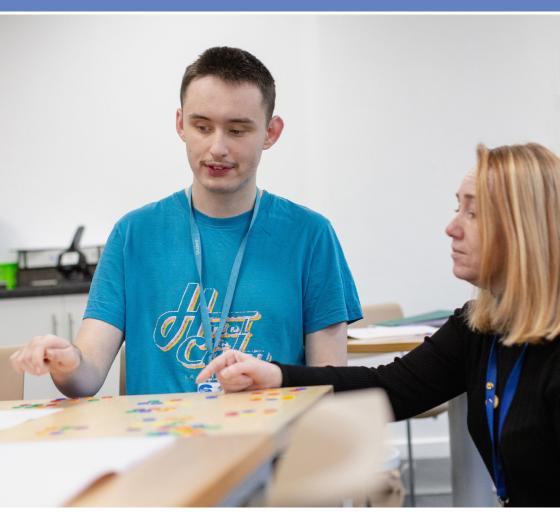
# **Helping you** start college





Education



## Introduction

Starting college is a big change and can seem quite scary. It means you will be leaving school, the people you know and preparing to become more independent, as well as making plans for the future. This booklet will hopefully give you some information to make things easier.

classroom, help with communication or

on your support needs. You will be able to

Starting college opens up chances to meet

new people and grow your circle of friends.

Trying out different activities and finding out

what interests you will help you meet people

and have fun when you are at college and

while you learn new things.

discuss with us what support you need.

Will I make new friends at college?

specialist help when you are in college based

# My transition checklist



1. My first visit to the college is on:

2. My Programme Leader is called:

3. If I ever feel unsafe at college I can talk to:

4. I have received a timetable and know what days I am in college:

5. I know where to buy food and drink or have my lunch:

6. I have met the Learning Support Team:

7. I know how I will get to college:

## **Common questions**

What does a typical week/day look like? Typically at college you will attend for three to four days a week, but the days will be longer compared to school, usually from 9am until after 4pm.

What support will I receive in college?

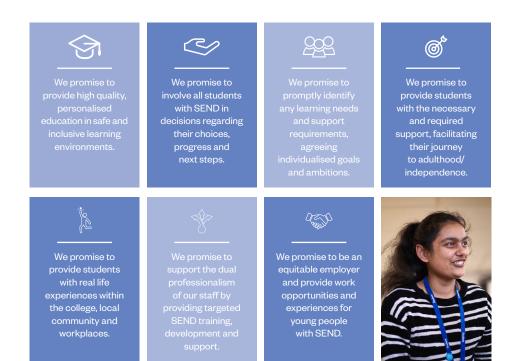
Our team will work with you, your school, your parents/carers, and other people to ensure you get all the help and support you need before you start college and when you are here. The support could be in the





To get to college, you may be able to get support from the Local Authority. The college also has a bursary scheme which supports free and reduced travel. You can also have a look on the college website for information about bus routes and times and our bursary process. Deciding how you are going to get here will help make sure there is an **easy** and **reliable** way for you to get to college. Additionally, we provide independent travel training to assist you in becoming confident with travelling independently.

### Our SEND Promise to you



If you need to speak to a member of staff there are various ways you can get in touch. The best way is to send an email to the relevant email address below:



sentransition@sunderlandcollege.ac.uk sentransition@hartlepoolsixth.ac.uk sentransition@northumberland.ac.uk

# What will I be doing at college?



#### What could I do at college?

- > Vocational qualifications/T Levels
- > A-Levels
- > Apprenticeships
- > Supported internships
- > Specialist courses

#### What will I do when I am at college?

Your course/programme will include:

- > Your main qualification
- > Maths
- > English
- > Self, society and skills
- > Work experience
- Tutorials
- Lots of enrichment activities and visits/trips

#### Starting college

After you have enrolled at college, you will be invited in for an induction before you start, where you will meet your teachers and other students. You will also be given a tour of the college so you can find your way around.

Before all of this happens, the team at the college will meet with you and discuss your support needs and also confirm which course/programme is most suited to you.





Things I am excited about?

Any other questions I have for staff at college?

### Open event dates

Open event dates this year are as follows-

Kirkley Hall	
5 December	4.45pm-6.30pm
8 February	9am-12.30pm
8 March	9am-12.30pm
3 April	4.45pm-6.30pm
1 May	4.45pm-6.30pm
19 June	4.45pm-6.30pm

Berwick	
16 December	4.45am-7.30pm
17 February	4.45am-6:00pm
19 May	4.30am-6.00pm

Ashington	
3 December	4.45am-6.30pm
4 February	4.45am-6.30pm
4 March	4.45am-6.30pm
1 April	4.45am-6.30pm
6 May	4.45am-6.30pm
3 June	4.45am-6.30pm

Bede	
14 January	4.45pm-6.30pm
29 January	5:30pm-6:45pm
15 February	10am-12:30pm
13 March	4.45pm-6.30pm
2 April	5:30pm-6:45pm
13 May	4:45pm-6:30pm

City	
16 January	4.45pm-6.30pm
12 March	4.45pm-6.30pm
10 May	10am-12:30pm

Hartlepool	
21 January	4.45pm-6.30pm
6 March	4:45pm-6:30pm
19 May	4:45pm-6:30pm



# How to apply

You can apply on our college websites, or by emailing the transition email addresses in this booklet. Alternatively, you can find out more by attending one of our open events or coffee mornings.

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