

OTHER OPTIONS

- e2e Entry to Employment. Not ready for work, training or a course? Not sure what you want to do? Your PA can refer you to e2e. It is a personal programme based on your needs and interests and will help you to move onto the next stage
- Voluntary work
- Temporary work
- Self employment

WHAT YOU NEED TO THINK ABOUT AND RESEARCH NOW

- ↳ Long and short term career aims
- ↳ Personal strengths and weaknesses
- ↳ Your own learning style; by doing, by studying or a combination of both - which way do you learn best?
- ↳ Personal likes and dislikes
- ↳ Expected exam results and what teachers think you will achieve
- ↳ What is available to you, where you can do it
- ↳ To have a back-up plan and apply for more than one option

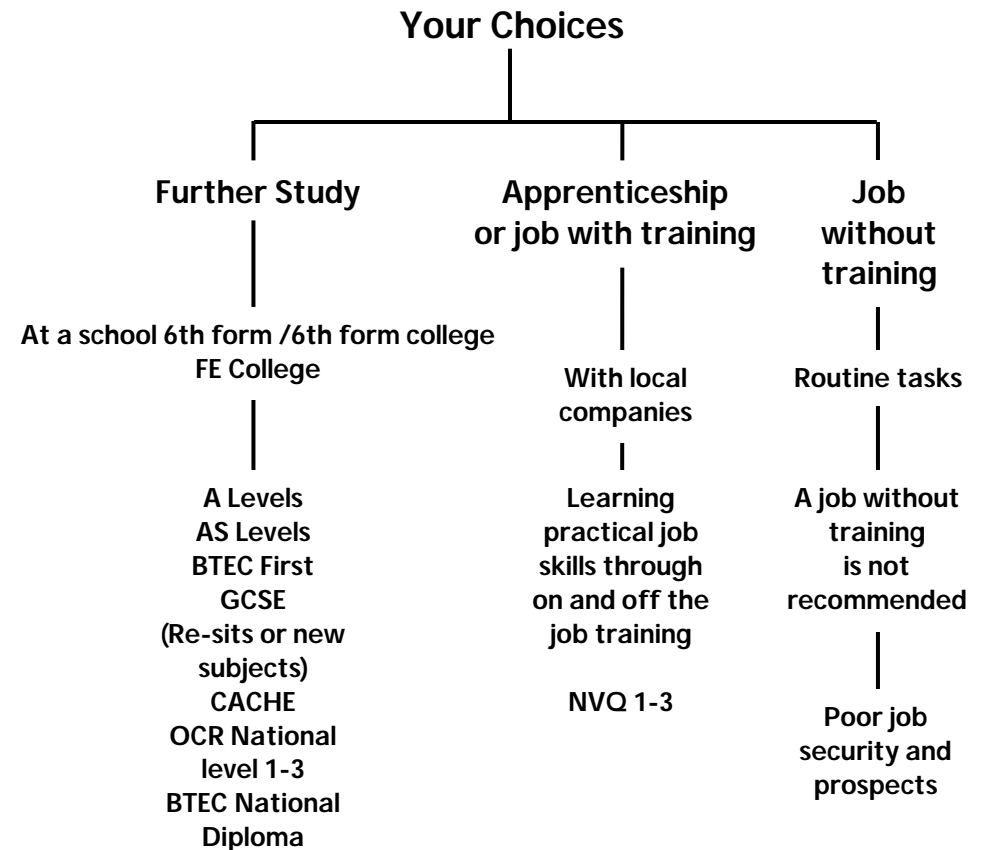
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REMEMBER - Everyone is different, and what is best for your best friend is not necessarily the best for you. What you do next has to be your choice. It is very helpful to talk to others about your options (teachers, friends, family, your Personal Adviser), and get their advice and thoughts; but the final decision should be yours.

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

There are a number of ways that you can get help from Calderdale & Kirklees Careers. As well as seeing a **Personal Adviser** in school or college, you could visit one of our **Centres** in Huddersfield, Halifax or Dewsbury (the **Learningline** has contact details). Telephone our freephone **Learningline** on **0800 5 979 979** or visit our website at **www.workabout.org.uk**. You can **email** us at **learningline@ckcareers.org.uk** and don't forget that lots of information for young people is in **The Link** and **Get Organised**.

FAST GUIDE TO OPTIONS AT 16+



OPTIONS

This leaflet is to help you to decide what will be the best option for you. It will make you think about what is important to you.

6th FORM or COLLEGE

Why study further? To

- continue studying a subject you are enjoying or have enjoyed in the past
- take up a new subject/s
- improve job prospects
- go on to higher education
- develop personal skills
- delay looking for a job
- keep your options open and give you more time to decide exactly which career you want to go into in the future

Where to study?

- 6th form college
- FE college
- school 6th form

What to study?

- NVQs - for jobs like catering, hairdressing, childcare
- BTEC National/BTEC First - are job specific subjects like graphic design, small animal care
- A Levels/AS Levels - in **academic** or non-vocational subjects such as English, history, psychology, and **applied** subjects like health and social care, engineering, business, leisure and tourism
- OCR Nationals at Levels 1, 2 and 3 in vocational subjects
- Diploma levels 1, 2 and 3. New for 2008. In 2 broad vocational related subjects locally: Society, Health and Development or Creative and Media

Where could it lead?

- Higher education
- Employment at a higher level

Money for study

If you're under 19, fees will be paid for full-time education.

You may be able to get an Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA).

JOBS WITH TRAINING and APPRENTICESHIPS

Why choose an Apprenticeship or job with training?

- the best way to train for lots of jobs including construction crafts, engineering crafts, motor vehicle work and office work
- to learn on the job for at least four days a week
- to continue studying (either in a college or with a local training provider), for one day a week and work towards National Vocational Qualifications (NVQs) levels 2 and 3
- to get paid a wage or, if you are a non-employed apprentice you can apply for an EMA

JOBS

Why go straight into a job?

- to start work as soon as possible - you may have had enough of full-time education for the time being
 - to start earning a wage
 - to get experience and training
- You may be able to get day-release to obtain further qualifications.

Think about

- what career prospects would you have within this company?
- what if you should decide to move on?
- what's the training like?
- will you get qualifications?
- if you don't get qualification now, that it is more difficult to get training for lots of jobs when you are older