



Year 11 post-16 pathways and progression routes

Steps after Year 11

Autumn 2024



What are my post-16 options?

I am here

GCSEs



A-LEVELS

Farnborough 6th

Collingwood

Farnborough Tech

Guildford County

Gordon's

Activate Learning

BTECs/CTECs

Farnborough 6th

Farnborough Tech

Activate Learning

Woking College

Occupational qualifications

Independent training providers

T-LEVELS

Farnborough Tech

UTC Reading

Activate Learning

Brooklands

MIT Skills Ltd

APPRENTICESHIPS

Gov.uk website

Individual companies

Post-16 pathways/routes

Academic

- A-Levels (FE Colleges/Sixth Forms)

Vocational

- Occupational qualifications (FE colleges)
- BTECs/CTECs (FE colleges)

Technical

- Apprenticeships (job)
- T-Levels (FE colleges)



A-Levels

- L3 academic qualification (step up from GCSEs/L2) and require a lot of independent study
- Exams based
- Most students would study 3 individual A-Level subjects
- Common entry criteria- at least 5 GCSE passes at a minimum of a grade 4 (colleges will have specific entry requirements and will all be different)



ACADEMIC

Local A-Level providers

- The Sixth Form College, Farnborough
- FCOT (Farnborough College of Technology)
- Activate Learning Group (Guildford/Reading College)
- Local school Sixth Form colleges (e.g. Collingwood College, Gordon's, Guildford County)



ACADEMIC

BTECs/CTECs

- L3 qualifications (step up from GCSEs/L2) and require elements of independent study
- Different levels- equivalent to 1/2/3 A-Levels
- Can be take alongside other qualifications (like A-Levels) but can also be done as a stand alone qualification related to a particular industry/sector
- Assignment based (but some courses do have exams)



VOCATIONAL

Local BTEC/CTEC providers

- The Sixth Form College, Farnborough
- FCOT (Farnborough College of Technology)
- Activate Learning Group (Guildford/Bracknell College)
- Woking College



VOCATIONAL

Occupational qualifications

- L3 work related qualifications (step up from GCSEs/L2) and require elements of independent study
- Assignment based (but some courses do have exams) and usually very practical
- Most students would study 1 individual course, related to a particular sector/industry



VOCATIONAL

Local occupational qualifications providers

- Various
- Independent training providers, as opposed to FE colleges



VOCATIONAL

T-Levels

- Relatively new, L3 work related qualifications in specific industry sectors
- In-built work related placements (45 days)
- Assignment based with exams
- Students would study 1 individual T-Level course, related to a particular sector/industry (broadly equivalent to 3 A-Levels)



TECHNICAL

Local T-Level providers

- FCOT (Farnborough College of Technology)
- Brooklands College
- Activate Learning Group (Bracknell/Guildford College)
- UTC Reading
- MIT Skills Ltd



TECHNICAL

Apprenticeships

- First and foremost, this is a job!
- Earn whilst you learn- 80% on the 'job' and 20% on training (e.g. a day a week in college, online learning modules)
- Highly competitive
- Varying levels (L2- straight after GCSEs up to L7 post-grad equivalent)



TECHNICAL

Apprenticeship Providers

- As this is a job, student apply for vacancies with companies (not through colleges)
 - Exception to this is via the Apprenticeships offered at FCOT
- Intakes throughout the academic year (not necessarily September starts)
- Gov.uk website ('find an apprenticeship section')



TECHNICAL