

Special Options Booklet

2021-2023

Working Together to Raise Achievement

Dear Student,

This prospectus gives information about the courses offered by the Waverley Federation as part of your options choice. All of these courses take place for the full day on Tuesdays throughout years 10 and 11. It also explains the application procedures and expectations to which you would need to agree should you be successful in your application.

A good education is the key to better life chances, equipping you with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to succeed in further learning, work, and opening the door to greater prosperity and wider opportunities. As a federation we are working collaboratively with our partner schools and colleges to give you a greater breadth and choice of subjects to study in order that you can design a personalised curriculum which motivates, interests and challenges you. These Special Options are equivalent to GCSE but are taught and assessed in a different way and enable you to study in a more adult environment at a college or specialist training centre.

You should take time to consider what options will best suit you, listening to advice from your teachers and researching the possibilities carefully. The number of places available on each course is limited and the application and interview processes are competitive. If you do decide to apply you must ensure that you have also agreed an alternative school-based option should your application for a Waverley course be unsuccessful.

Yours faithfully,



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What can I chose?

You may choose to study from a wide range of courses offered at one of our partnership schools or colleges whilst continuing to follow a broad and balanced curriculum at your home school. These qualifications are equivalent to a GCSE, but involve more practical application of skills.

Where can I study?

Depending on the course you choose you could study at one of the following providers:

Godalming College, Tuesley Lane, Godalming, GU7 1RS.

Godalming College offers Level 2 (GCSE equivalent grades 9-5) one day course in Child Care OR a whole day which includes 2 courses, GCSE Film Studies and Media Level 2.

Rodborough School, Rake Lane, Milford, GU8 5BZ.

Level 2 Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy is taught for a full day in a specially designed facility in a simulated beauty salon.

Farnborough College of Technology, Boundary Road, Farnborough, GU14 6SB

Offer half day courses in courses in Engineering and Vehicle Technology Level 2.

Oakmoor School, Budds Lane, Bordon, GU35 0JB

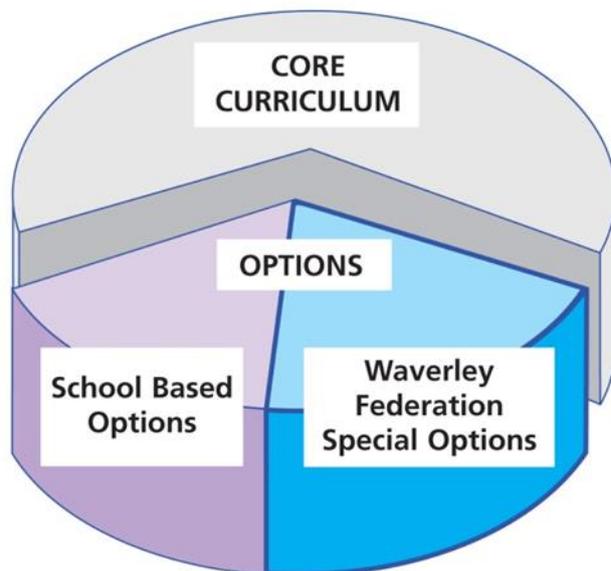
Offer our one day Construction course.

Issues you would need to consider carefully

- You would give up some of your options choices.
- You would be educated away from your own school for one day a week.
- You would be responsible for making your own way to the provider school or college.
- You would be expected to conduct yourself in a way appropriate to the setting; be that a college, workplace or other training provider.
- You would need to ensure that you have agreed a school-based option should your application be unsuccessful.
- By accepting a place on a Waverley Federation Special Options course you are committing yourself to the course for two years.

Federation Offer Diagram

What would my curriculum look like?



All students study the core curriculum and make choices from their options blocks. Should you choose a federation course this will take up some of your options choices. This will take place all day on **Tuesdays**.

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Eduqas GCSE Level 2 in

Film Studies

(QAN 603/0889/8)

This course is delivered at **Godalming College**. It is a half day course studied alongside Level 2 Technical Award in Creative Digital Media Production. The course is suitable for you if you are able to achieve level 4/5 and above and are motivated by applied learning. In **Component 1** you will be learning about key elements of film form (cinematography, mise-en-scène, editing and sound) and applying it to a range of **Hollywood and American independent films** from the 1950s to the 1980s. You will also be looking at how films reflect key developments in the history of film and film technology. In **Component 2** you will be learning about **global films** and considering the visual styles, storytelling elements and world wide appeal of a range of films including: *Slumdog Millionaire*, *Spirited Away* and *Let the Right One In*. **Component 3** consists of the exciting opportunity to produce either an **original film extract** or a **screenplay**, with the opportunity to use the college's **high-spec equipment**, including a **fully functioning TV studio** and **editing suite**.

Course Structure and Assessment

GCSE Film Studies consists of three units, combining both written and practical work.

Two components are assessed through written exams at the end of the two year period, which are externally marked and graded on a scale of 1-9. The third component consists of an externally assessed piece of production coursework. You will be awarded marks for each component and these will be added together to calculate your final grade .

Units of Study

COMPONENT 1 - Key Developments in US Film (Exam – Written): 35%

COMPONENT 2 - Global Film: Narrative, Representation and Film Style (Written Exam – 1hr 30mins, 3 questions totalling 70 marks): 35%

COMPONENT 3 – Production (Coursework): 30% (60 marks)

Particular Issues

You will need to be responsible for getting to and from **Godalming College** every **Tuesday** and will need to feel comfortable working in a more adult college environment.



Pearson BTEC Level 1/2 Technical Award in Creative Digital Media Production

(QAN 603/1238/5)

This course is delivered at **Godalming College**. It is a half day course studied alongside GCSE Film Studies. It is equivalent to one GCSE. The course focuses on developing Media knowledge and production skills in areas such as **filmmaking and editing**. This will enable you to produce your own media products, usually as part of a small production team which consist of **short films, show reels, vodcasts and video campaigns**. This is a fast pace qualification with a strong emphasis on written content. You will also be required to carry out substantial research and analysis into past and present media products, such as; **music videos, adverts and video games**. In the second year of the course there is a practical task-based exam (Component 3), where you will get to respond to a particular brief working as individuals, creating content appropriate to the commission.

Course Structure and Assessment

The BTEC Award in Creative Digital Media Production consists of three units, combining both written and practical work.

Most units are assessed through coursework which is internally marked and externally moderated and grading is on a five point scale (Level 1, Pass, Merit, Distinction, Distinction*). You will be awarded marks for each unit and these will be added together to calculate your final grade. Each unit must be passed in order to gain a Level 2 BTEC.

Units of Study

Component 1: Exploring Media Products

This consists of researching historical and current media products and creating a vodcast.

Component 2: Developing Digital Media Production Skills

This component has more of a practical leaning and you will be developing film ideas and learning how to use cameras and sound equipment alongside editing software on the Macs.

Component 3: Create a Media Product in Response to a Brief

The exam unit asks you to apply all the above skills working as an individual.

Particular Issues

You will need to be responsible for getting to and from **Godalming College** every **Tuesday** and will need to feel comfortable working in a more adult college environment.

CACHE Level 2 Technical Award in Child Development and Care

(QAN 603/3293/1)



This course is delivered as a one day course at **Godalming College**. You will learn key knowledge and skills which can be applied to a job in childcare and you will be introduced to some key areas of the early years.

This course is a good choice for you if you wish to gain an understanding of child development and well-being. It will be delivered through a mixture of classroom activities. This course is suitable for you if you are working towards a grade 4 or above in English and Maths, with a good report on behaviour, attitude and timekeeping. You may sometimes be asked to research a topic or complete an assignment independently.

This qualification provides you with an introduction to child development and well-being and will provide you with the opportunity to gain a qualification that gives a basic introduction to the sector. It includes the knowledge and understanding of child development and well-being necessary for working with children in a variety of settings.

Units of Study

Unit 1: An introduction to working with children aged 0-5 years

Unit 2: Development and well-being 0-5 years

Unit 3: Child care and development 0-5 years

Assessment

Assessment is through internal assessment (units 1 and 2) and external assessments –short answer paper – Unit 3. The grades you can achieve are A*-D.

Progression

You can progress on to a BTEC Level 3 National Diploma or a Level 3 Apprenticeship in the Child Care sector.

Particular Issues

You will need to be responsible for getting to and from **Godalming College** every **Tuesday** and feel comfortable working in a more adult college environment.



VTCT Level 2 Certificate in

Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy

(QAN 601/0556/2)

This is a vocationally-based course, taught in the dedicated beauty suite at **Rodborough School**. It is designed to give an insight into the workings of the hair and beauty industry and will be taught alongside practical hair and beauty tasks such as make-up, nail art and skin care, enabling the student to develop skills and understanding through practical learning.

This qualification is endorsed by QCF and provides an introduction to the hair and beauty industry and is supported by HABIA, the Sector Skills Organisation for beauty services.

The course consists of two mandatory units, '**Understand the hair and beauty sector**' and '**Hair and beauty research project**' and two optional units '**Hair and beauty science**' and '**Responding to a hair and beauty design brief**'.

Assessment

This course is assessed through a combination of extended written projects, practical assessments and one on-line exam.

Progression

Successful completion of this course is an ideal grounding for an apprenticeship in the hair and beauty industry or you may continue your studies into further qualifications such as Beauty Therapy Level 2 diplomas (C&G, BTEC, NVQ, VTCT), Level 2 Media Make-up diploma, C&G Introduction to Beauty and Nails, Women's Hairdressing diplomas (C&G, BTEC, NVQ, VTCT).

Particular Issues

You will need to be responsible for getting to and from **Rodborough School** every **Tuesday** and will need to feel comfortable working in a more adult environment.

Level 2 Award in Construction & the Built Environment



This course is delivered at **Oakmoor School** every **Tuesday**, and is ideal if you are considering a career working in construction. This course has been designed to give students the opportunity to gain a broad understanding and knowledge of the construction & design industry. Students will be taught how to interpret and analyse information before starting a task, construct different types of wall and related safety aspects, develop a broad understanding of the built environment and develop their scientific and mathematical knowledge and apply it in practical construction contexts.

This course is delivered through practical activities in the workshop through a bricklaying unit, completion of coursework units and an exam unit. Most of your work will be completed during course sessions but you may at times be required to complete work or revise at home. This course will be suitable for you if you are working towards the equivalent of GCSE grade 4/5 or above.

Assessment

This course is assessed through coursework and an exam. Grading is on a scale from a Level 1 Pass to Level 2 Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction*.

Progression

You could progress onto a full time course in bricklaying or construction trades at College or become an apprentice in Bricklaying or Wood Occupations.

Particular Issues

You will need to be responsible for getting to and from Godalming College or Woolmer Hill School where you will then be bused to Oakmoor School every **Tuesday**.

City & Guilds Level 2 Technical Award in Engineering

(QAN 601/7241/1)



This course has been designed to give you a broad understanding and knowledge of the engineering sector and is delivered at **Farnborough College of Technology**. It is particularly suitable for learners who like to explore how things work and are keen to develop technical skills. Learners will develop an understanding of how ideas for engineered products are communicated between engineers, including the use of Computer Aided Design (CAD) systems. As part of the course, learners will discover how ideas are turned into prototypes and have opportunities to develop the skills needed to produce and evaluate a prototype. The qualification will enable learners to develop knowledge, understanding and skills in the use of standard measurement in engineering, different materials used in engineered products, the features and applications of mechanical and electrical components, interpretation and production of engineering drawings using CAD systems, the use of commercial and prototype technologies, the evaluation of products against design criteria.

This qualification has two units: • engineering communication • engineering development.

This course is suitable for you if you are considering a career working in engineering or wish to progress onto higher engineering based qualifications and are working towards the equivalent of GCSE grade 4/5 or above in Maths, English and Science. Maths is an essential requirement on this course.

This course is delivered through practical activities in the workshops and theory lessons. Assignments associated with this course will be completed independently as homework.

Assessment

Assessment is assignment based in accordance with City and Guilds specifications. Grading is on a scale from Level 2 Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction*.

Progression

After successfully completing this course you could progress on to many different courses including Electrical Installation, Motor Vehicle and Engineering itself.

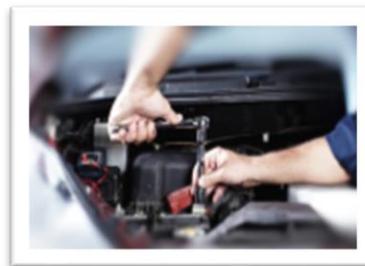
Particular Issues

You will need to be responsible for getting to and from Godalming College where you will then be bused to Farnborough College of Technology every **Tuesday** and feel comfortable working in a more adult college environment.

City & Guilds Level 2 Technical Award in

Vehicle Technology

(QAN 603/0310/4)



This Level 2 course will provide an introduction to the automotive manufacturing sector and the retail motor industry. Delivered at **Farnborough College of Technology**, learners will discover how vehicles are designed and how their systems and components work, whether they are cars, vans, motorcycles, trucks or all-terrain vehicles (ATVs). Learners will explore the main factors influencing the design and manufacture of vehicles and how to choose the right materials, as well as their properties. The main principles of maths, science and physics will be applied to understand how the main systems and components of different vehicles operate. Learners will have an opportunity to develop technical skills including how to use basic measurement and fabrication tools available in engineering/manufacturing workshops.

This qualification has three units: • underpinning Principles in Vehicle Technology • vehicle Technology Systems.

The course is a mixture of practical and theoretical lessons and you will be continually assessed in the classroom and workshop with regular on-line tests. There will be a course workbook to complete and assignments to complete in your own time associated with this course. This course is suitable for you if you are working as a minimum towards the equivalent of GCSEs grades 9-4.

Assessment

Assessment is through coursework, oral questioning, practical assignments, on-line tests and a workbook. Grading is on a scale of Level 2 Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction*.

Progression

You could progress on to a Level 3 course in Automotive Engineering at College. Alternatively you could become an apprentice and start working as a mechanic for a privately owned garage, large chain or car manufacturer.

Particular Issues

You will need to be responsible for getting to and from Godalming College where you will then be bused to Farnborough College of Technology every **Tuesday** and feel comfortable working in a more adult college environment.

What to do Next – Checklist

Read your school and Federation options booklets

Discuss your initial preferences and ideas with your family, tutor and teachers. Make a list of areas needing further investigation

Take part in options evenings and special assemblies. Get the answers to your questions and make sure that you are fully informed.

Make your decision with the help of your advisors

Complete your school options form

If you are applying for a Federation course complete the Federation Application Form as well as your School Options Form. Return both forms to school. You will be invited to an interview and taster session during the Summer Term.

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