

THE CURRICULUM AT KEY STAGE 4



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We offer an exciting and relevant curriculum to prepare you for the ever-changing world you will work in. Our Key Stage 4 curriculum offer includes 'core' and 'career' pathways. Depending on your ability and interests, you will study two out of the three available pathways:

Core pathway 1: Functional Skills

or

Core pathway 2: GCSEs

or

Career pathway

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Career pathways

- Entry Level Animal Care
- Entry Level Catering
- Entry Level Hair and Beauty
- Entry Level Land Based Studies
- BTEC Sport and Public Services
- Entry Level Vehicle Maintenance

Core pathways

You will work towards these accredited core qualifications at either GCSE, Functional Skills, Entry Level and NCFE level:

- **English**
Functional Skills (up to Level 2) and GCSE English Language
- **Mathematics**
Functional Skills (up to Level 2) and GCSE Mathematics
- **Digital / Information and Communication Technology (ICT)**
Functional Skills (up to Level 2)

- **Science**
Entry Level Certificate and GCSE Science
- **Personal, social, health and citizenship education (PSHCE)**
NCFE Award or Certificate in Personal and Social Development (PSD)
- **Humanities**
Entry Level (up to Level 1)

You will also have a weekly lesson, which is not accredited, in:

- Physical education

CAREER PATHWAYS

There are a range of pathways on offer. We aim to run them all, but this depends on the numbers of pupils choosing each pathway and Wiltshire College. All pathways are taught through Wiltshire College, which will also include relevant work experience placements, and will lead to further education, training and apprenticeships in a range of careers.

ANIMAL CARE

Studying the Animal Care qualification, you will take a more in depth look at how to care for and enrich the life of each individual animal within the Animal Care Centre.

You will complete units throughout the year that will contribute to your final qualification in Animal Care.

Where does it lead?

This could lead on to a career within the animal care industries or an apprenticeship.

Qualifications: Entry Level 3 Award and Certificate in Skills for working in Animal Care Industries (AIM)

CATERING

This is an exciting opportunity to learn catering skills within our industry standard purpose-built kitchens. You will learn basic health and safety skills alongside learning how to follow recipes to prepare a delicious menu. You will need to be dressed appropriately (catering jackets, safety shoes, a chef's hat and an apron) so that this will enhance your experience and help you to feel the part within the industry.

Where does it lead?

The qualification gained at the end of this course could lead on to any catering course post-16 or an apprenticeship.

Qualifications: Entry Level 3 Award and Certificate in an Introduction to the Hospitality Industry (City and Guilds)

HAIR AND BEAUTY

On this course, you will spend a year in the hair department creating your own innovative styles and designs and learning essential techniques. You will also spend a year within the beauty department. Here, you will learn techniques in manicuring and pedicuring alongside skills such as eyebrow shaping, learning how to apply make-up and skills in basic massage. Throughout the course, you will learn important legislation alongside chemistry, maths and biology relevant to hair and beauty studies.

Where does it lead?

This could lead to further hair course, beauty course, media makeup course or barbering.

Qualifications: Entry Level 3 Award and Certificate in an introduction to the Hair and Beauty industry (City and Guilds)

CAREER PATHWAYS

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LAND BASED STUDIES

On this course, you will get a taster of a range of land-based studies. In Animal Care, you will experience caring for small animals ranging from reptiles, rodents, goats, donkeys, guinea pigs, rabbits and birds. You will work behind the scenes in our purpose-built wildlife park at Lackham campus, learning about animal habitats and how to provide the best enrichment for the animals in your care. In Agriculture you will learn about the farming environment, including crop management, looking after the land, caring for our farm animals and working with the most up-to-date farming technology.

Where does it lead?

This could lead on to a career within agriculture, the animal care industries or an apprenticeship.

Qualifications: Entry Level 3 Award and Certificate in Agriculture or Animal Care (City and Guilds)

SPORT AND PUBLIC SERVICES

This is a combined course that provides you with a taster of the sport and the public services Industries. The units you will cover include coaching skills and training for fitness; these are skills you will need to work within the sport and public service sectors. Alongside this you will study how exercise effects the body and you will play sports such as badminton, football, rugby and hockey. You will assist in planning and taking part in an inter-college sports day in the summer term and you will also learn how to develop a personal progressive plan to improve your own fitness.

Where does it lead?

This could lead on to a Level 1 or Level 2 Sport or Public Services course.

Qualifications: BTEC Level 1 and 2 Introductory Award (Pearson)

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

On this course, you will work towards a certificate in year one and a diploma in year two. You will learn the basics of engines, brakes, steering and suspension. You will be taught by lecturers with a host of industry experience within our industry standard purpose-built garages.

Where does it lead?

This course will prepare you to apply for a full-time course in vehicle maintenance or an apprenticeship within the automotive industry.

Qualifications: Entry Level 3 Certificate and Diploma in Vehicle Systems Maintenance (City and Guilds)