

Macmillan Post 16 – Year 11 into 12

Frequently Asked Questions.

We understand that you will have concerns about the ongoing Coronavirus outbreak. Whether you are a current Year 11 Macmillan student, coming to Post 16 from another school, or are interested in studying at Macmillan Post 16 - the information below will provide some useful FAQs to help answer your queries and concerns.

We will do everything we can to support you in your studies at Post 16 in these unprecedented times.

Can I still apply to Macmillan Post 16?

Absolutely, yes! We are still accepting applications for September. You can apply quickly and easily online at www.post16.co.uk/apply.

I haven't attended Macmillan Academy; can I still apply to Post 16?

Yes of course, we receive lots of applications from students far and wide and welcome students from Middlesbrough, Stockton, Redcar and Cleveland and Hartlepool and even further afield.

What are the entry requirements?

To study BTEC courses, you need to achieve 5 x Grade 4's at GCSE. To study A-levels you need to achieve 5 x Grade 5's at GCSE, however some subjects require a Grade 6 such as Maths, Sciences, English and English Literature. Please visit our website for more details – post16.co.uk

What safety measures are in place?

Your safety is our priority. Please be assured that we are following the Government guidelines to ensure all our students and staff are safe on site. We have already implemented targeted cleaning measures, and wipes and hand sanitizer are available at various locations. Staff and students are also required to wear masks in communal areas.

I am worried about starting Post 16 in September, how will you help me settle in?

We understand how difficult the past few months have been for many of our students. Please be assured we will do everything to ensure your transition from Year 11 to Year 12 is smooth, despite the challenges we are facing. Each July, we welcome new Year 12 students to our taster week. At this stage we are unable to say if this will be on-site or hosted virtually via our website. Taster week has lots of useful information to support you as you prepare to start Year 12.

We will also issue subject transition work. Completing this will give you the best possible start to life as a Post 16 student.

What support do you offer for UCAS applications?

The UCAS application process begins for us in the Summer term of Year 12. We host and attend a variety of events both on and off site with a wide range of Universities to support their application and decision-making.

Early applicants (Oxbridge/Medicine/Dentistry/Veterinary sciences) are fully supported by our Gifted and Talented programme. This comprehensive programme involves local employers, visits to Universities and interview preparation.

Why should I choose Macmillan Post 16?

We pride ourselves on the quality of education, range of experiences on offer and the support our students receive during their time in Post 16. Our students

achieve fantastic results and go onto universities and apprenticeships locally and nationally. Remember, we are here to support you. If you need any further advice or information, please contact us at post16@macademy.org.uk or via our social media channels.

When can I enrol?

Enrolment takes place in August. Once you have applied, we will be in touch and provide you with all the information that you need.

What support do you offer students?

Care, support and guidance is undoubtedly a strong feature of Post 16 at Macmillan.

The Post 16 team monitor your overall academic progress and ensures that support is provided to help you achieve the very best results. Your pastoral tutor will provide day to day contact, monitoring and support, along with academic tutoring meetings, and there is learning support & SEN help where needed.

We also offer financial support to students eligible for the student bursary and offer a 1-1 counselling service for students who may need it.

What extra-curricular activities are on offer?

As an exciting and vibrant Post 16 provider, our students have many opportunities to engage in activities outside of their academic studies. The Student Union has become a recent addition with senior students holding roles and running events. We hold regular charity events and sports competitions which our students support and raise lots of money.

The Getting Involved programme allows students to enhance their skills set by taking on roles in and around the academy, such as reading buddies or classroom assistants. Our students complete work experience in their desired field in addition to going on field trips and overseas visits to complement their learning.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is well supported, and a high number of our Post 16 students achieve the gold award.