

Update from the School Engagement Team

Welcome back, Year 11!

We hope that you have had a fantastic summer break and are feeling ready to take on your final year at high school. Here at the college, we have been busy enrolling thousands of students from across the North West as they begin their exciting journeys. Soon, that could be you! It's never too early to start thinking about your next steps after high school.

Last year, due to popular demand, more than 80% of our courses had waiting lists. As places are granted on a first-come, first-served basis, alongside your grades and school reference, applying early is essential.

Now is the perfect time to start your research. Our

Open Evenings begin on Wednesday 8th October 2025, and are a wonderful opportunity to explore our courses, including apprenticeships, T Levels, and technical courses. You'll also be able to tour our state-of-the-art facilities and meet our expert tutors.

Most importantly, we're here to support you every step of the way. The School Engagement Team is dedicated to giving you the information, advice, and guidance you need to make the best choices for your future.

Good luck settling into the new school year. We look forward to seeing you on campus soon!

*Ella, Abbi and the
School Engagement Team*

What's on?



Year 11 Open Evenings

Warrington campus, 5.00pm - 8.00pm

Wednesday 8th October, Wednesday 5th November, Monday 17th November

Join us at our Open Evenings and get a real feel for our vibrant and inclusive college first-hand! Tour our fantastic facilities, chat with our tutors, and get a feel for your future at Warrington & Vale Royal College. **To attend you must register your attendance at:** wvr.ac.uk/openevenings

Winsford Campus Open Event

Tuesday 25th November, 4.30pm - 7.30pm

Come along for an evening of exploration at our Winsford campus, featuring our Health & Social Care Academy, Life Sciences Academy and our established Advanced Mechanical & Engineering Academy. Discover these modern facilities, meet our expert tutors and learn more about the exciting courses and opportunities available to you. **Register for this event here:** wvr.ac.uk/winsford-campus-open-evening

ACDS presents: WVR Dance Academy

Our Dance Academy is back for its third year, offering an incredible opportunity to develop your skills, creativity, and performance experience. Grab your dancing shoes and take advantage of 4 FREE dance workshops taught by our brilliant dance tutor Erin Taylor. Workshops will take place on the: 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd October. **Visit:** wvr.ac.uk/danceacademy to register.

Your to-do list!

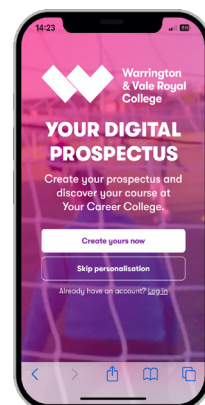
- ☐ **Attend Open Evenings:** Visiting the college, meeting tutors, and exploring the state-of-the-art facilities can help you decide which course is the best fit for you.
- ☐ **Apply early:** Aim to submit your application before Christmas, so you can focus on your mock exams in the new year without added stress! Early applications are the key to securing your conditional offer and to avoid waiting lists.
- ☐ **Explore your options:** It's okay to be unsure about which subjects to study. You can apply and interview for multiple courses, and we host plenty of exciting College Experience events to help you to make your decision before GCSE results day.

Build your digital prospectus!

Have you checked out our digital prospectus yet? Find your perfect course in just a few clicks!

Our innovative 16–18 prospectus is packed with opportunities and is completely paper-free. With a huge range of courses to choose from, this smart tool helps you find the perfect match by answering just a few quick questions.

Start exploring now at prospectus.wvr.ac.uk and take the first step towards your future today.

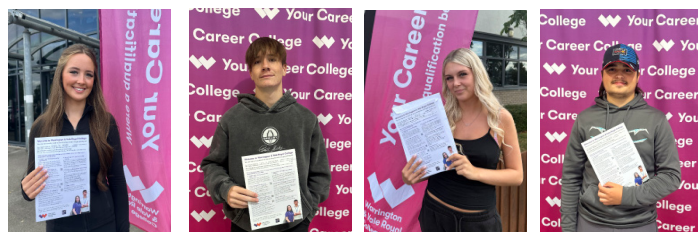


New students begin their college journey

On this year's GCSE Results Day, we proudly welcomed thousands of new students to enrol on their chosen courses!

This year marks a record-breaking intake, with an unprecedented number of young people joining us from schools right across the region.

We're excited to see all the amazing things our new students will achieve in the year ahead!



We are celebrating an outstanding 98% Pass Rate

This year, our students achieved a phenomenal **98% overall pass rate** and an impressive **100% pass rate in T Levels!**

In August, our dedicated level 3 students had a results day to remember, marking one of the most successful moments in our college's history with an outstanding 98% pass rate for final-year students. Even more impressive, over half of these students earned a distinction or higher - that's the equivalent of an A or A* at A Level!

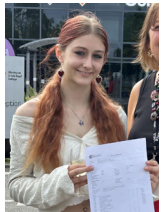
At a memorable celebration on our Warrington campus, students collected their results alongside proud families, friends, and tutors, coming together to celebrate their incredible achievements.



Student Success

At our Vocational Results Day Celebration, we spoke to students about their exciting next steps. Their future destinations are incredibly diverse—from higher education and degree apprenticeships to roles with leading employers and beyond.

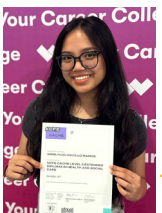
Our Warrington & Vale Royal College graduates are ready to make their mark, both locally and on the global stage.



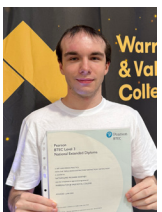
Name: Layla Parks-Smith
Former School: Weaverham High School
Course: Level 3 Applied Science
Destination: University of Liverpool, BSc Bioveterinary Science



Name: Turner Unsworth
Former School: Lowton High School
Course: Level 3 Health & Social Care
Destination: Edge Hill University, BSc Nursing (Adult and Mental Health)



Name: Kris Ramos
Former School: Angeles University Foundation
Course: Level 3 Health & Social Care
Destination: Liverpool John Moores University, BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science



Name: Nathan Jake McGarr-Whitney
Former School: Sir Thomas Boteler C of E High School
Course: Level 3 Graphic Design & Illustration
Destination: University of Chester, BA (Hons) Graphic Design

Exciting new apprenticeship opportunity



We're proud to announce the launch of Cheshire & Warrington's very first Level 2 Groundworks Apprenticeship, delivered in partnership with PAS NW LTD.

Starting September 2025, this fantastic programme combines hands-on experience at Peel Garden Village, a major 1,200-home development in Warrington, with expert training at our Construction & Civil Engineering Academy.

Apprentices will learn essential skills in a dedicated Training Centre, setting them up for a successful career in construction and civil engineering.

Apprenticeships at Warrington & Vale Royal College let you earn while you learn, giving you the best of both worlds. You'll gain real, practical experience in the workplace while studying at college, so you can build the knowledge and skills employers are looking for.

If you'd like to learn more or have a chat about this exciting pathway, contact our experienced Apprenticeship Team at apprenticeships@wvr.ac.uk, or come and speak to us at our upcoming Open Evening!

We recently caught up with our alumni, Ben!

From Triple Distinction* at Warrington & Vale Royal College to studying BEng Architectural Engineering at Liverpool John Moores University, Ben is building his dream career!

Former The County High School Leftwich student Ben came to the college to study Level 3 General Engineering, choosing the college's Advanced Manufacturing Engineering Academy for his next step after high school due to the impressive industry-standard facilities and the college's "friendly, community atmosphere."

Reflecting on his time at college, Ben credits the career-focused approach of his course with giving him a real advantage at university, helping him tackle new challenges with confidence and a solid foundation.

His advice to aspiring engineers? "School leavers should definitely attend an Open Evening. See the facilities, meet the people, and you'll want to study there for sure!"

We're so proud of Ben and can't wait to see where his journey takes him next!



Contact us



Our friendly Learner Services Team are on hand Monday to Friday to answer any of your college questions. You can reach them on **01925 494 400** or learner.services@wvr.ac.uk

Don't forget to download our free college app and follow us on socials [@wvrcollege](https://www.facebook.com/wvrcollege). Our inboxes are checked daily by our School Engagement Team so please don't hesitate to direct message us.