



Apprentice

# Parent Guide

to NWCS Training Apprenticeships

# What is an Apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship is quite simply a full time job that is combined with training and assessment.

While on an apprenticeship your child would be gaining valuable on the job experience, earning a wage and gaining recognised qualifications. Complete an apprenticeship with NWCS Training is a great way to get the skills and knowledge along with the practical experience that can be transfer straight into the world of work.

Once upon a time, employers where searching for university graduates, now things have change they are preferring people with industry knowledge and experience. NWCS Training will work with your child to support them to gain the necessary theory as well as the practical skills they will need for their chosen vocation, giving them the skill set to become an expert in their field.



## What Options Does Your Child Have?

There are lots of options open to your child as university is no longer viewed as the only option for anyone wanting to pursue further education. Apprenticeships are seeing a major increase in interest from both young people and employer alike.

Your son/daughter may learn better in a practical environment rather than in a classroom, if that is the case then an apprenticeship would be the perfect choice for them.

Apprenticeships are no longer thought of the second best option because the grades received in school weren't what were expected. Apprentices at NWCS Training receive the best training and development, to become an essential part of the company they will be placed with.

# Why an Apprenticeship?



You can begin your apprenticeship at **any time of the year**, unlike colleges and universities that only have 1 start date per year



An apprentice can earn much more than a university graduate.



Due to the experience gained during the apprenticeship you **child can stand out!**



Accelerate to **success** – start working today!



No debt as training is fully funded.



Gain industry led qualifications in a specialised area.

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Beginning their career with NWCS Training, your child will benefit from on-the-job experience, learning all the necessary skills to flourish in their chosen career. They will also be learning from industry experts who understand the industry entirely.

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# Courses



Care



Business



Management

NWCS Training can provide your child with the best opportunities to excel in a services sector career due to the range of industry leading courses we offer.

## How Long?

In their 1<sup>st</sup> year your child will achieve a Level 2 Certificate in their chosen course. They will then work towards achieving their Level 3 Diploma, which equivalent to A Level

**Level 2**

GCSE  
Equivalent



**Level 3**

A Level  
Equivalent

# Frequently Asked Questions

**When you say they will earn while they learn, how much will they be getting?**

The current minimum apprenticeship wage can be found on <https://www.gov.uk/national-minimum-wage-rates>, some employers may choose to pay more.

**How can my child apply to be an Apprentice?**

You can book an initial interview with on our website [www.apprenticeshipsnorthwest.com/book-online](http://www.apprenticeshipsnorthwest.com/book-online) or you could call into your local centres and start the application process or even telephone on (0151) 521 5888, (0161) 320 9060. We will then work with your child to find the career they are looking for.

**What Qualification will my son/daughter get at the end of this?**

The aim is to help them to attain and advanced apprenticeship, which is equivalent to A Levels. If required we will also support them to get nationally recognised Functional skills qualifications in English, maths, and ICT.

**When complete, will there be a job for them?**

Depending on your child's performance throughout the apprenticeship, most employers will keep an apprentice on as a full time employee.



## Do Apprentices get the same discounts in places as other students get?

Absolutely! All apprentices are eligible to apply for an Apprentice NUS extra card, offering discounts in lots of shops, restaurants and entertainment locations (Cinemas, Thorpe Park, etc.)

## Will they have the same holidays as other students?

Because they are in a full time job they will be entitled to the same holiday entitlement as all other employees, which is roughly 23/24 days holiday.

## When can my child sign up to start an Apprenticeship?

With no specific start date NWCS Training Apprentices can start on their course at any time of the year. Most of the time on their course they will spend in the workplace so a start date depends largely on the employers. Don't delay! Apply today!

I have learnt a lot while attending NWCS Training, more than I ever did at school because all the staff are knowledgeable and very understanding and will take the time to go over things to help me understand better.

**Georgia Soutar**

Former Business Admin Apprentice  
Now Administration Officer



# Supporting Your Child

Having chosen the career they desire after 1 year your child will attain a Level 2 Certificate in that course. They will then begin working towards their Level 3 Diploma which is equivalent to A level. While earning money they will also be receiving NWCS Trainings' Ofsted 'Good' training.



IAG Workshops



Career Talks



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# We are NWCS Training

Our mission is to deliver high quality training that will enhance young people's **range of skills** and improve their **employment prospects** by providing a good Apprenticeship experience for the Apprentice and the employer.

## OFSTED 'GOOD'



Managers have a clear strategic vision focused on improving the lives of people in the most disadvantaged communities.



Learners significantly develop their confidence, self-esteem and employability skills



Tutor assessors provide high quality support which helps learners achieve.



Most learners become valued employees and many acquire increased workplace responsibilities



# Are you the Parent of a 16 – 18 Year Old?

Help them kick start  
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