

COLLEGE – BASED PROVISIONAL OPTIONS 2010

At this stage the following courses are only being offered provisionally. If you are interested in taking any of them you should indicate that this is the case on the options form. Should the course run you may need to attend an interview at the relevant college in order to gain acceptance.

If you are successful in gaining a placement then you would spend a day per week at the college from September onwards studying on the course instead of attending School. This would mean, however, that you would not take an option choice in column E. It would also mean that you would be following a Welsh Baccalaureate qualification in school (see final page of this booklet) and so your timetable would be slightly different to that of pupils who are not studying at college.

At present the following courses may be available in September:

Public Services

Department	Business and IT
No. of groups	1
Time commitment	Half a day per week over 2 years
Qualification	BTEC Certificate in Public Services (to be confirmed dependent upon ability)
Level	2

The course content is both vocational and academic. Pupils will learn about the uniformed public services and the legal system in Britain. It will provide an insight into careers in the armed forces, fire service, police and emergency services. Outward bound and teamwork activities will feature in the course. Ex-service people will be involved in the delivery of the programme. Assessment is by a series of assignments one of which is externally assessed.

Salon Services (Hair and beauty)

Department	Hair and Beauty
No. of groups	1
Time commitment	Half a day per week over 2 years
Qualification	BTEC introduction to Hair and Beauty
Level	1 or 2 depending on ability

This course is highly vocational and practical. Pupils will learn about aspects of hairdressing and beauty therapy in the new salon facilities at college. The course provides an insight into entry into the profession or a sound stepping stone to further studies. Assessment is by practical assignments and a formal examination.



Electrical Installation

Department	Engineering Technology
Qualification	NVQ in Performing Engineering Operations (level 1 and 2 dependent upon ability)
Level	1 or 2 depending on prior level of achievement

This course is for pupils who enjoy practical work in a workshop environment where they can develop a variety of hand and equipment skills.

The skills that pupils will develop are relevant to further courses of study and employment as a trainee or apprentice electrician. This qualification forms an important part of the practical content of many post 16 full time and part time courses in Electrical Installation and is therefore particularly relevant to pupils who are keen on this occupational route.

The course is mainly workshop based and pupils will be assessed by building a portfolio of evidence of the work they have carried out.

Construction Trades

Department	Construction
No. of groups	1
Places per group	15
Time commitment	Half a day per week over 2 years
Qualification	BTEC Certificate in Construction
Level	2
Site	Colcot Road

This course is for pupils who enjoy practical work in a construction workshop environment where they can develop a variety of hand and equipment skills.

The skills that pupils will develop are relevant to further courses of study and employment as a trainee or apprentice carpenter, bricklayer or painter / decorator. The course will enable pupils to develop skills in each of the three trade areas and choose the route they prefer later in their education. If, however, students display a particular aptitude then they may be able to follow a level 2 qualification which will specialize in one of the trades.



This qualification is formally recognised by the Construction Skills, the Sector Skills Council for the construction industry (formerly CITB).



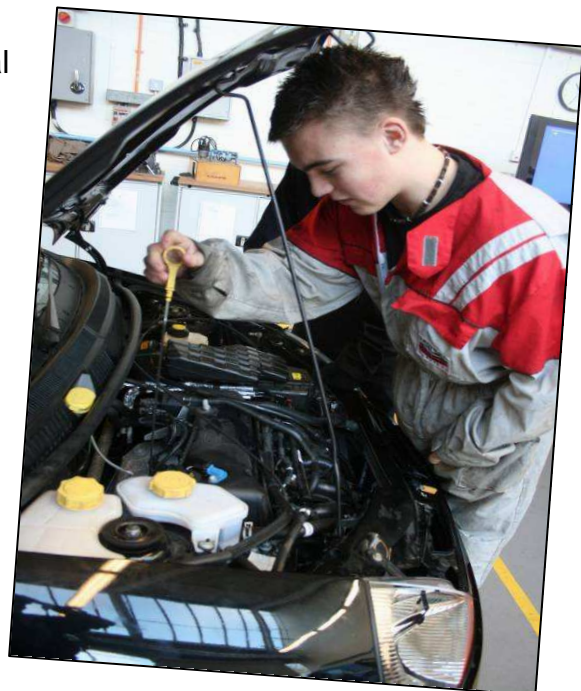
The course is mainly workshop based. Pupils will be assessed by building a portfolio of evidence of the work they have carried out and by formal examination at the end of the second year of the course. Pupils will need to have an aptitude for written work to succeed in the final written assessment.

Motor Vehicle Studies

Departments: Engineering Technology
Time commitment: Half a day per week over 2 years
Qualification: IMIAL Level 2 Certificate in Automotive Pre-vocational Learning
Site: Colcot Road

This course is for pupils who enjoy practical work in a construction workshop environment where they can develop their hand and equipment skills in preparation for employment as a trainee or apprentice motor mechanic / electrical. The course will be delivered in facilities at the college's Colcot road site.

The course is mainly workshop based. Pupils will be assessed by building a portfolio of evidence of the practical work they have carried out.



MILITARY PREPARATION SCHOOL

The course will be delivered for one day per week at the Military Preparation course in Cardiff. Transport will be provided from school. Below are the activities/qualifications that the programme is based around.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a voluntary, non-competitive programme of practical, cultural and adventurous activities, designed to support the personal and social development of young people aged 14-25, regardless of gender, background or ability. It offers an individual challenge and encourages young people to undertake exciting, constructive, challenging and enjoyable activities during the programme.

- Service (helping other people in the local community)
- Expeditions (training for, planning and completing a journey on foot or horseback, by boat or cycle)
- Skills (covering almost any hobby, skill or interest)
- Physical Recreation

The National Navigation Award

The National Navigation Award is delivered to all students on the programme; this award concentrates on map reading and orienteering. Skills such as leadership, teamwork and using own initiative are also encouraged and developed.

- Two class room theory lessons
- One practical assessment

MILITARY LESSONS

The majority of military lessons are based outdoors and are quite physically demanding; using many different teaching techniques, the theory taught around the practical sessions is delivered in a classroom environment. All lessons give the students a clearer insight into military life.

MILITARY PHYSICAL TRAINING

Where possible all physical activity is based in the outdoors, an experience many young people are not used to. This training not only improves each individual's well being it lifts their motivation and enhances their own self-esteem. Healthy eating is encouraged during the programme.

- Circuit training
- Army selection fitness tests (Bleep test, press ups, sit ups, burpees)
- Team log runs
- Team Bergen runs
- Team stretcher runs
- March & shoot Competitions

