



Careers: Employers Information

Connection

Communication

Independence

Aspiration

THE AIM OF REDWOOD'S CAREER PROGRAMME:

- Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) at Redwood prepares learners for their future lives into adulthood.
- This guidance and support provide learners with the information they need to make informed choices, decisions and to manage their transition into post 16 or post 19 pathways such as further education or future employment.

OUR OBJECTIVE:

- To link further with the local community including employers.

We are constantly striving to add to our portfolio of companies who support our Redwood learners so we can continue to offer appropriate, diverse and valuable real work insights to help our learners prepare for adulthood and for some sustainable employment.

Internship Placements

These are placements for between 1-4 days per week and are usually with a larger company who can accommodate more than 1 learner. The learner will be accompanied by a job coach who will also support you and your staff in this new venture. Jobs which may be suitable include: Administration Assistant, Data input, Catering Assistant, Kitchen Porter, Order Picker, Porter, Cleaner, Care Worker, Housekeeper, Gardening Assistant, Labourer to name a few.

Work Experience Placements

We are looking for employers to host our learners aged 15-19 for 1 day per week, supported by a member of Redwood staff. We currently work with local charity shops, Elk Mill Retail Park and café's.

Employer Encounters

We would love to hear from any employers who could host one off tours of their business to some of our students to gain an insight into that sector. You would also be more than welcome to come in and speak to our learners and talk about your role within the company. **Speed Networking** is an event we have organised for the past 2 years and is a great success and a great way for our students to meet a range of different people and hear about what they do in their roles. Again, we are always looking to develop this and hopefully build up our network of employers who can support such events and help our students prepare for adulthood.

To offer your support or even just to find out more about how you can get involved please get in touch with a member of the team:

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We embed careers through our curriculum delivery of Citizenship, PSHE and Employability. Particular focus to careers is also given within the Post 16 Pathways. The careers programme also organises a wide range of events and activities to provide information and inspire students such as career sessions, career guidance activities, whole school activities and other outside interventions some of which are highlighted below.

- Enterprise Week for the Sixth Form
- Career focused visits to a range of Business and Professional Companies
- Mock interviews and support for CV and application form writing
- Visits to Skills North West and Choices exhibitions
- Encounters with employers and employees
- Opportunities to listen and interact with external speakers from a range of occupations and professions through assemblies and SMSC lessons
- Redwood works in partnership with outside agencies (Colleges, 6th Forms, Apprenticeship providers, Universities, UTCs (University Technical Colleges) and Positive Steps).
- Work Experience

Here are just a few of the companies that have supported our students:

- **Rochdale AFC**
- **Nafees Baker & Sweets**
- **Reuse Littleborough**
- **British Heart Foundation**
- **Costa Coffee**
- **Hounds on the Hills – Dog Walking and Pet Services**
- **McDonald's**
- **Rochdale Borough Council**
- **St John's Fisher R.C Primary**