

## **INTERMEDIATE VOCATIONAL PATHWAY**

This Pathway is for those students who have not yet secured a Grade 4 or equivalent in GCSE English and GCSE Maths. English and maths are essential skills for any job or career pathway you may want to pursue.

Subject Information Sheet



Some learners will need to study Functional Skills instead of the GCSE qualification. During your Functional Skills studies you will develop skills in reading, writing and communication as well as core mathematical skills. The level you work towards will depend on the previous gualifications that you have achieved.

Where students have a strong GCSE profile outside of English and Maths, the Traineeship pathway can be personalised for each individual student and where appropriate provide opportunity to study a Level 3 qualifications.

## English & Maths

For those students who have not yet achieved a grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics and GCSE English are required to study the appropriate course and resit their examinations.

Those students who achieved a grade 3 will continue to study towards the GCSE qualification. However, any student who achieved a Grade 2 or below will be required to follow the Functional Skills Programme and work towards achieving the Level 2 qualification.

Functional Skills qualifications are intended for anyone wishing to develop their maths and English. They focus on the underpinning of skills as well as the ability to apply maths and English to different contexts.

Students work towards English Functional Skills qualifications, which are recognised by employers and helpful in gaining employment or progressing to study further courses. The classes develop students' skills in the four areas of reading, writing, speaking and listening. We deliver all levels of Functional skills qualifications from Entry 1 to Level 2 (Level 2 is equivalent to GCSE grade 4).

## **Additional Qualifications**

Students will have the opportunity to study Level 1 or 2 qualifications within this pathway. We will review a students GCSE profile and if appropriate there would be opportunity available to study one Level 3 qualification within this pathway.