

KENT CHOICES

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Planning for after year 11: KentChoices and key options

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you may know, all young people must remain in education or training until age 18 after completing Year 11. This letter explains how the [KentChoices website](#) and upcoming **Parent/Carer podcasts** will support you and your child explore their post-Year 11 options.

KentChoices parent/carers live podcasts

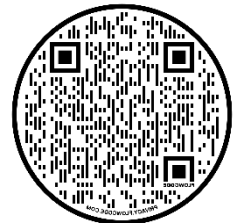
Our free podcasts will guide you through options, apprenticeships, deadlines and how to use KentChoices.

Post-Year 11 options

Date: Tuesday 14 October 2025 Time: 6pm to 7pm (Free to Attend)

Apprenticeships

Date: Tuesday 16 October 2025 Time: 6pm to 7pm (Free to Attend)

To register: Scan **QR Code 1**, click [here](#) or call the KentChoices team at **03301 651 120**.**QR Code 1**

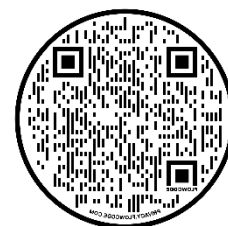
KentChoices website

KentChoices is the main tool for exploring and applying to sixth forms and colleges, although some schools may still require applications through their internal systems. Your child will have their own login (given to them by their school in Year 10 or early Year 11). If your child is **Electively Home Educated**, they can self-register to generate their own account.

On KentChoices you can find information about

- Sixth forms, colleges (including grammar schools). This year a high number of Medway schools have joined the site
- Open evenings, deadlines, and local events. If attending an East Kent College event, ensure your child has their KentChoices login.
- Apprenticeship information and opportunities
- Work experience, volunteering, and self-employment options
- Local labour market
- Available courses after GCSE results-day in the clearing tool

For those with children who have an **Education, Health, and Care Plan (EHCP)**, there is a separate process called the Phase Transfer. Emails have been sent to Parent/Carers giving them information and a link to the application form. If you have not received this, please email SENDDataCoordination@kent.gov.uk. If your post 16 provider is a FE college, you will also need to apply through KentChoices to let them know which course they want to study.



QR Code 2

For more information, scan **QR code 2**.

Help making a decision

Your child's school is your first point of contact for independent careers advice, as they have a statutory duty to provide it. You can also contact the National Careers Service at **0800 100 900** or visit nationalcareers.service.gov.uk for additional support.

Staying in touch

Once a young person leaves Year 11, Kent County Council (KCC) must remain in contact with them for two years. This is to check if they need help finding education, employment or training and to report to the Department for Education on how Kent young people are progressing. We do this on behalf of KCC by keeping in touch with local schools, colleges, and training providers but from time to time we may contact you directly.

If you do not have access to the internet, you can call us on 03301 651 120.

We wish your child success with their next step.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Williamson', written over a faint background of a document.

Rob Williamson

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The Education People

Further details on how data on KentChoices is used and managed and how we stay in touch with young people and store data is available at: KentChoices.info/Privacy