

## **School of Construction**

Riverside College is an outstanding (Ofsted 2020), highly popular and successful Grade 1 further education college conveniently located in Widnes and at the hub of the Mersey Gateway, within easy reach of Liverpool, Manchester and Chester. We currently cater for over 3,500 16-18 students, 300 adults, 700 apprentices, and deliver a range of Higher Education and part time adult courses.

You will be working in the College's brand new £3.6 million Construction & Engineering Skills Centre which boasts state of the art equipment and outstanding workshop environments.

The School of Construction offers courses and apprenticeships from entry level through to level 3 courses in the following areas:

- Brickwork
- Carpentry and Joinery
- Plumbing and Gas
- Electrical Installation
- Painting and Decorating
- Multi Trade Skills



Following an Ofsted inspection in early March 2020, the College has been given the highest possible rating by Ofsted who have judged the college to be **OUTSTANDING.** After a meticulous review of the College, inspectors made the following judgements:

OVERALL EFFECTIVENESS	OUTSTANDING
The quality of education	Outstanding
Behaviour and attitudes	Outstanding
Personal development	Outstanding
Leadership and management	Outstanding
Education programmes for young people	Outstanding
Provision for learners with high needs	Good
Adult learning programmes	Outstanding
Apprenticeships	Outstanding

The College has celebrated many recent successes with the Department for Education performance tables, published in January 2018 ranking the college as 3<sup>rd</sup> in the country on three vocational performance measures:

- 100% Pass Rate in 2021
- 69% Top Grades A\* B
- 92% High Grades A\* C
- 100% Vocational Pass Rate
- 88% BTEC High Grades
- 48% BTEC Triple Distinction Star Grades (equivalent to 3 A\*Grades at A Level)

We have established excellent relationships with local, regional and national employers including Scottish Power, Howdens, Bell Group, Bloor Homes, Lincoln Electric, Michelmersh Brick Holdings, Westermanns International, McAlpine Plumbing, Metsa Wood, Virador, Glen Dimplex, BAC Mono, the NHS, Merseyside Police, Evolve, Halton Housing Trust and Plus Dane Housing.

We offer a full programme of support for all staff, including exceptional CPD and development opportunities.

Over recent years, significant investments have been made in teaching, learning and support for students, which we believe are key to our success.

## Riverside College Widnes & Runcorn

Riverside College is committed to:

- Providing learning experiences of outstanding quality
- Investing in teaching and learning
- Offering students distinctive and valuable opportunities to develop personally, professionally and academically
- Offering an Oxbridge programme in partnership with local high schools
- Supporting every individual to reach their full potential
- Seeking opportunities for growth

Thank you for your interest in Riverside College.



If you would like further information or an informal discussion, please contact Andy James, Head of School for Engineering and Construction on 0151 257 2800