

## **School of Construction**

## **March 2021**

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 3,000 16-18 students, 600 full time 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 Leadership and management	Outstanding 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, putting the college amongst the top in the country with a record number of students progressing to university.

- 100% A Level Pass Rate
- 100% Pass Rate in 44 courses
- 64% Top Grades A\* B (or equivalent)
- 81% High Grades A\* C (or equivalent)
- 100% Vocational Pass Rate
- 93% Vocational High Grades
- 43% Triple Distinction Star Grades (equivalent 3 A\* Grades at A Level)
- 100% achievement Access to Higher Education Diploma

We have established excellent relationships with local, regional and national employers including MEGGER, CEF, Kew Tech, Plus Dane, Electrorod, Bell Group, Getrag, Ford Transmissions, Kier Construction, Jaguar Land Rover, People's Ford, Glen Dimplex and MITIE. The College was also actively involved in meeting the skills needed for the Mersey Gateway project. This Major £600 Million construction project delivered a new six lane toll bridge over the River Mersey and aims to provide 4640 new jobs in the area.

Another key driver for our Construction curriculum is to meet the needs of the Local Enterprise Partnership.

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

Due to high levels of growth in 16-18 and apprenticeships across the School, we are looking for an experienced and talented Joinery Assessor to join our Construction team.

## Riverside College Widnes & Runcorn

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 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.

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If you would like further information or an informal discussion, please contact Darren Moore, Head of School on 0151 257 2800