



WORK RELATED CURRICULUM AND ENTERPRISE EDUCATION

Cumberland School Specialist Sports and Applied Learning College aims to provide a broad and balanced curriculum for all pupils. Within this framework there is a commitment to develop pupils understanding of the ever changing world of work and equip them with the knowledge, skills and attitudes that will enable them to make a successful transition from school to adult life and to actively manage future progression.

Cumberland provides a wide range of work-related learning activities for all in order to:

- Meet the statutory requirements for both Work Related Learning and Enterprise Education.
- Enhance the curriculum by adding relevance and interest.
- Raise standards of achievement through alternative approaches to teaching and learning.
- Develop close working relationships with business organisations in the regeneration area within which the school is located.
- Equip pupils with key skills for employability.
- Equip pupils with entrepreneurial skills.
- Develop Personal, Learning and Thinking Skills (PLTs).
- Develop Functional Skills.
- Remotivate targeted groups of pupils who can benefit from a more flexible curriculum under disapplication procedures.
- Ensure that the learning and achievements gained from such activities are valued and accredited where appropriate.

Work related learning and enterprise activities are coordinated by an Assistant Headteacher who liaises closely with the PDE Coordinator, Year Coordinators, CEG Coordinator and the Careers Adviser and teachers in charge of subjects to provide a coherent programme across the curriculum. The school is supported in this by the Newham Education Business Partnership (NEBP).

The range of activities include:

- A two-week work experience programme for all Key Stage 4 pupils.
- The possibility of extended work experience opportunities for targeted pupils.
- The option of a CIDA qualification in ICT.
- The option of BTEC First Certificate/Diploma courses in Sports, Applied Science, Performing Arts, Business and Health & Social Care.
- Visits to business organisations and visits from adults other than teachers on work related projects.
- Residential visits with a work related focus.
- Mini enterprise projects.
- BOSS Days for Key Stage 4 pupils.
- A mock interview programme for Key Stage 4 pupils.
- Enterprise activities with adults other than teachers for Years 7 to 11 pupils.
- A clear and coherent careers education and guidance programme for all pupils in liaison with the careers service.

The quality and effectiveness of these activities are evaluated in objectives interviews with the Headteacher and with relevant staff at the NEBP. The school ensures that adequate resources are allocated to support work related learning and enterprise activities.