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# SJNGC CAREERS

## Sir Jonathan North Girls' College



Year 10 Work Experience Placements

Explore hands-on opportunities to gain valuable skills and kickstart your career journey.

### Year 11 Post-16 Options

Discover your path after Year 11—whether college, apprenticeship, or training.

### **Upcoming Local Careers Events**

Don't miss out on events that connect you with employers, experts, and opportunities.

### **Top-Paying Jobs**

Learn about the highest-paying careers and how to break into them.

### **Information for Students and Parents**

Essential resources to guide students and families through key decisions.

20th December 2024

# Sir Jonathan North Girls' College PS16 UPDATE

# School will review and send off all applications to college

- providers by 31st January.
- February to April Post-16 College Interviews take place.

March to May - Colleges make offers to students. Students accept or decline the offer.

#### Filling out your PS16?

Unsure about how many A Levels to apply for? Considering a T Level? Check out this handy chart to explore all your available options!

### POST 16 OPTIONS **MADE SIMPLE**



Use the information below to help you understand the options available to you after Year 11.



# unifrog

All students should have access to the Unifrog platform. This contains a wealth of information about all careers pathways and post 16 options. Students can complete a personality quiz, record their skills and create a CV, access free online courses and compile careers "shortlists" for ideas for their future. https://www.unifrog.org/ For all students their username will be their school email address and there is a 'forgotten your password' link for those who need this re-setting. Any issues with logging in please email the Careers Team

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## Sir Jonathan North Girls' College KNOW YOUR OPTIONS Positive Steps @16

#### WHAT SHOULD **I DO AFTER** MV GCSES?

It is important to consider what you want to do after you have finished your GCSEs.

It is important to make the right choices as they may affect future plans and goals e.g., what you can study at university.

There are different types of qualifications which will suit different learning styles and subject interests.

#### What works for you?

#### A levels

- Do you prefer assessment through examinations?
- Would you like to study, in-depth, a number of subjects rather than a single course?
- Do you definitely want to go to university, but want to keep your options open in regards to university courses and future careers?

### Vocational (e.g., BTECs) and Technical (T Levels)

- Are you interested in sector based subjects/courses e.g., engineering, applied science, performing arts, public services, health and social care....?
- Would you prefer to be assessed more by coursework and projects than by examinations? 3 Would you like to do a course which involves
- applying learning to practical activities/situations, including work experience placements?

#### Apprenticeships >> Would you prefer to learn whilst working in a paid job?

- Do you have a particular career in mind which you would like to gain practical experience in?
- Do you prefer to learn by observing others and then trying the task yourself? >>
- Would you like to do a full-time job which combines learning in the workplace with related training and study? »

#### Struggling to decide what qualifications and subjects to pick? Consider the following...

- >> What subjects have you enjoyed studying in the past?
- >> What subjects have you done well in?
- Do you have a future career plan in mind and if so, does it require specific subject knowledge and qualifications?
- What are your strongest skills (e.g., communication, leadership, teamwork .. and what subjects do they link to most?
- Would you prefer to follow an academic or vocational route or a combination of both?

#### FACT/FICTION?

All universities only accept A levels for entry on to their courses

#### FICTION

A levels may be required for some university courses but they are just one of many qualifications (e.g., BTECs & T Levels) accepted by universities





Studying BSc (Hons) Human Biology at Edge Hill University

"I chose to study a BTEC qualification because I have a passion for Forensics and I want to go into Forensic Pathology as my career. My BTEC studies have shown me that you need a meticulous eye for details when you are working forensically at a crime scene, especially as the analysis of evidence is so crucial to the criminal justice system and bringing a guilty person to account for their crime."

Jade's Level 3 qualification : BTEC Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Forensics) Achieved grades - D\* D\* D\* Applied Science : Achieved grades -



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**





i February 5, 2025 4pm - 7pm

NWSLC WIGSTON CAMPUS OPEN EVENT

NWSLC Wigston Campus



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## Sir Jonathan North Girls' College YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

# <u>Spotlight on Year 10</u>

- Return all signed forms to school by **24th** January.
- February to May Interviews with work placements.
- 30th June 4th July 2025 Work experience week.

## Still looking for a work experience placement? There's time!

If you haven't found a placement yet, don't worry – there are still plenty of opportunities in Leicester. Many local companies are <u>open to taking o</u>n students for work experience.

At Sir Jonathan North, we have a list of businesses that our students have worked with in the past. If you have an idea of the business sector you're interested in, come see us in the office and we can share a list of recommended companies to help you get started.

Don't miss out on the chance to gain valuable work experience!





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# Sir Jonathan North Girls' College **ELEVATE YOU SKILLS**



### **Opportunities for Virtual Insight Days**

Boost your Personal Statement, learn news skills and gain understanding of different industries by attending Virtual Insight Days. Visit: https://www.speakersforschools.org/workexperience-opportunities/ Sign up by January 17th 2025

# **BARCLAYS** Life**Skills**

Tools to help young people and adults develop their skills around employability and managing money

Not sure what careers are out there? Identify your skills and find out what's out there by visiting:

https://barclayslifeskills.com/iwant-to-choose-my-nextstep/school/wheel-of-strengths/#

#### Young people: The Wheel of Strengths

A tool for young people to help you find out how your skills, interests and personality traits match up with a range of job roles. You will disc roles and be able to create an action plan, to develop the skills for jobs that you are interested in.

## IN SCHOOL...

#### **DEBATE CLUB**

demonstrates critical thinking, teamwork, and leadership. Many college admissions offices and employers look favorably on debate experience. Wednesday 2.45 - 3.45 in M8



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## Sir Jonathan North Girls' College CHOOSING THE RIGHT CAREER PATH: WHAT COULD YOU EARN?

Want the highest paying job in the UK? Find out what you could really earn by visiting: <u>https://investin.org/pages/free-events</u>



#### Let's Discuss Pay

Talking about pay can feel like a taboo topic and yet, "how much will I earn?" is one of the most common questions students ask the professionals on our programmes. With rising costs of living and an ever-evolving but often unpredictable job market, compensation and job security have become a top priority for young people today. That's why we're running a series of free events aimed at demystifying salary expectations, so students and parents can navigate this widely misunderstood subject with confidence.



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## Sir Jonathan North Girls' College PARENT'S INFORMATION

#### GCSE's, Sixth Form and Beyond....

For free advice and support about helping your teen create a successful future visit: https://www.theparentsguideto.co.uk/free-resources

THE PARENTS' GUIDE TO

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#### What is your child's next step?

Help your child make choices for their next step of education by getting to know your levels.



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