

Daventry UTC Sixth Form expectations

DUTC Sixth Form Aims

- ▶ Our aim is to encourage students to develop good working and study practices in preparation for work and independent learning. We want students to succeed and develop as individuals.
- ▶ All are expected to attend regularly and on time. Once students have established good working habits, they are given the privilege of some agreed off site study periods.

What do we expect of our Sixth Form Students?

- ▶ 100% attendance and punctuality.
- ▶ An active involvement in the school community.
- ▶ A positive attitude to study.
- ▶ To communicate with their teachers.
- ▶ To deserve to be treated like adults.
- ▶ To become people who universities and employers want.
- ▶ To balance academic study with a social life.

Daventry UTC's Expectations

- ▶ As a student in our Sixth Form you are setting an example to the other students with the school.
- ▶ You are expected to be dressed smart **at all times**, no Hoodies, Jeans, trainers or outdoor wear in the classrooms
- ▶ You need to attend every lesson ready to learn and take part. You need to take ownership of your own work and complete work in your own time to keep up with the course. (For every hour you are in a class you should be doing a minimum of an **HOUR** of work outside of the classroom.)
- ▶ You need to submit work by the set deadlines. If you have a real reason why you cannot do this **you must** talk to the teacher. Work not submitted by set deadlines could have a negative effect on your overall marks.

Attendance

- ▶ **Stage One** (95% - 90% attendance) Student will be spoken to by Miss Robinson, to establish a reason for a drop in attendance. A phone call will be made to parents informing them of the issue and ensuring all non-attendances are authorised.
- ▶ **Stage Two** (85%- 90% attendance) A letter will be sent home to arrange a meeting, with parents and student to explore the reasons for irregular attendance. During this meeting an attendance improvement form will be completed, copies signed by parents, student and Attendance officer. A target of 95% will be set for a period of 5 weeks. Absences will not be authorised without a medical note during this period. A review date will be decided upon with parents for a progress meeting.
- ▶ **Stage Three** (Under 85% attendance) A Letter will be sent home, requesting another meeting with parents, student and any other external agencies working with the family. During this meeting a Parenting contract will be put in place for 10 weeks with a review meeting after 5 weeks.

If attendance still fails to improve the issue will be forwarded to the Education Entitlement Team at Northampton council, who may consider formal action. This could result in a PACE Interview being held under caution in accordance with the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984.

Parents:- You should also be aware that if convicted of an offence of failing to ensure regular attendance of your child at school under **Section 444, 1 / 1A Education Act 1996**, you could be fined up to **£1,000/ £2,500 and/or receive a term of imprisonment not exceeding 3 months.**

** Employers, will also want to know your attendance as part of any reference request**

Academic mentoring and One to Ones

- ▶ Academic Mentoring happen once a week, usually on a Wednesday afternoon. These mentoring sessions are specifically targeted to Sixth form learners, with guest speakers from a variety of agency's coming to talk about a range of subjects. These have in the past included Apprenticeships, Sexual health, and developing independent study skills.
- ▶ Recent speakers included: Northampton NHS, University of Northampton and Cummins
- ▶ One to Ones will take place every week after Wednesday afternoon ACM. 1 hour lesson followed by 3 one to ones (you will be told at the start who will be having these)
- ▶ Chance for you to discuss your course, plans for after 6TH Form and anything else you may want to talk about.
- ▶ These are a legal requirement for the DUTC to carry out. And a great chance to get any extra support you might need during your time at DUTC