

CONNECTIONS

YC Careers News | September Edition

Welcome

Welcome to Connections, our monthly newsletter where we share careers-based information, useful updates and event news. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Careers, Employability and Work Experience Team at workexperience@yeovil.ac.uk or the School Connections team at SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk

We look forward to supporting you this year.



Big Build Update

Last year, marked the start of our transformative £60+ million campus redevelopment project. With our cutting-edge Sports Centre almost ready, the Technical Construction Centre not far behind and a new modern Teaching Centre coming in the next few years, we are excited to take you and your students along this journey with us. Please take a look at our most recent [update](#).



Our offer

The School Connections team is dedicated to ensuring schools and learners are aware of every opportunity available through Yeovil College but also Post 16 pathways generally. Whether this be through supporting a parents evening with an information stand, providing a personal campus tour or offering a small group taster session with specific curriculums, the team can be very flexible to a school's need. They can also offer impartial information about Post 16 with school staff to keep the local community updated. Please find a table of everything the team can offer following this [link](#).

If you have any questions or feel something is missing, please do not hesitate to reach out at SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk

Support for learner destination and NEET

To support schools in identifying any NEET learners and destinations from 2024/25, we will be able to share enrolment data a few weeks into September, then again after Day 42. This data can only be collected from our MIS Team.

Application data for Year 11 learners 2025/26 will start being released after October half term. In order to share this, we must receive up to date cohort numbers for Year 10 and Year 11 students – please ensure you have sent these to SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk



Events

Somerset Careers Fair – We will be at the Somerset Careers Fair on Thursday 9th October 2025. Every subject will have an interactive stand which students can take part in, as well as general information, careers, university and apprenticeship support. We look forward to seeing you there!

October Open Event – Our first open event of the year will be held on Thursday 16th October, 5-7:30pm! This is a chance for learners to explore our courses, each pathway we offer (such as T Levels, A Levels, Apprenticeships and Vocational Qualifications), and speak to current students and our expert lecturers! If your students are interested, they can find out more and register [here](#).

Social Media

Stay in touch and see what we're up to by following our social media channels. It's a great way for learners to learn our culture too.

[Facebook](#)

[Instagram](#)

[Tiktok](#)

Useful Contacts

General enquiries (iZone): 01935 423921

Bursary enquiries: 01935 423921

Apprenticeships & Business enquiries: 01935 845392

Yeovil College University Centre (YCUC) enquiries:
01935 845454

Year 8 My Futures

On Thursday 3rd July, we invited South Somerset schools to attend our Year 8 My Futures Event, where over 1,000 learners had the opportunity to experience a taster session. To focus on future careers, we invited employers such as The Newt, Atlas, Thales and Morson to provide sessions within Hospitality and Catering, and Engineering. Thank you to all that attended! It was great event, helping learners at the beginning of their career journey.

Year 10 Work Experience Opportunities

We're excited to offer Year 10 students the opportunity to gain valuable work experience within our college. These placements are designed to give students a real insight into the world of further education and help them develop essential skills for their future careers. All placements are based within curriculum departments only, giving students the chance to experience teaching and learning environments first-hand, and explore subject areas they may wish to pursue in the future.

To ensure a smooth and supportive experience, we follow a clear process:

- 1. Initial Contact:** All enquiries should be directed to Gayle Pogson, Head of Careers and Work Placements, who will be the first point of contact.
- 2. Department Preference:** Students must indicate which curriculum area they are interested in working with.
- 3. Timely Response:** We aim to respond promptly to each request. If the placement is approved, we will send a consent form to the student.
- 4. Consent & Preparation:** The consent form must be completed by the student and their parent/guardian and returned to us. This helps us gather emergency contact details, medical information, and understand if any additional arrangements are needed to support the learner.

We're committed to making these placements meaningful and accessible, and we look forward to welcoming enthusiastic Year 10 students into our college community.

For more information or to begin the process, please contact Gayle Pogson at gayle.pogson@yeovil.ac.uk



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