

Timeline for Year 12 Students 2010/11

SEPTEMBER

Think: what do I really want to get out of this year and am I achieving my full potential?

Do you have **target grades** set by tutors?

Your Connexions Careers Personal Adviser (PA) comes into school to help you with your **career plans** - make time to talk to them.

Your careers co-ordinator can help you find all the details you need to help plan your **next steps** - talk to the right people.

OCTOBER

Start finding out about **options** you can take after you leave further education.

Explore **career ideas**. To help visit www.connexions-direct.com/jobs4u.

Start looking at **higher education (HE) courses** where appropriate, using www.ucas.com.

If you are on a level 2 course, will you be planning for college next year? If so, start exploring courses and colleges, check out www.mychoicelondon.co.uk.

NOVEMBER

Weigh up the **pros** and **cons** of the different options.

Are you on **target** to reach expected grades?

Talk to your Connexions Careers PA!

If you have any exams in January, do you have a **revision plan**?

DECEMBER

Use your **predicted grades, interests, learning styles** and **career plans** to help make your choices - talk to your subject teachers.

If planning to go to college next year **start applying now**.

APRIL

Check your options in the light of your subject progress. Talk to a Connexions Careers PA if needed. Do you need some back up plans?

Create a revision plan that works for you and stick to it.

MARCH

Are you going to get the **grades** that you need for entry to your **next course**?

If planning to start work after completing your course, **update your CV** and talk to your Connexions Careers PA or tutor about where to look for vacancies.

FEBRUARY

Will university need some **work experience** relevant to courses you are interested in? If so, you need to **arrange** this.

Continue researching courses and careers. Check out www.ukcoursefinder.com and www.bestcourse4me.com. Continue to visit universities (or colleges).

JANUARY

Check when you have to make applications, particularly for HE.

Apply to colleges, if appropriate, if not already done so.

If interested in university, find out when **open days** are and make plans to **start visiting!**

If you want a taste of what university is like, book onto London Taster Course Programme at www.london.ac.uk/tasters.

MAY

Are you **clear** about your plans for next year? If not speak to your Connexions Careers PA/careers co-ordinator.

If going to college next year, have you heard back from them? **Chase up applications now**.

JUNE

Remember you may have to apply for **future options** that interest you early next Autumn term – make sure you're researching these now to help you make the best decision!

JULY

Review what you've **learnt** this year.

Have you got **work experience** or **voluntary work** arranged?

This is especially important if this is needed for your future career.

If **looking for work** after completing your course, visit your local Connexions centre.

AUGUST

Do any **reading/preparation** needed for next year.

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