

GUIDANCE FOR PUPIL STATEMENT

SCHOOL-LINKS COURSES - AY2022-23 APPLICATIONS

There are a few different questions you should try and answer when completing your pupil statement. These are listed below with our top tips on what to include within your answers.

1. What made you choose this course?

Think about why you are applying for your chosen course – why does this subject interest you? Why do you think you're suitable for the course – do your current or previous studies relate to the course that you have chosen, or have you taken part in any other activities that demonstrate your interest in the area?

2. What employment/work experience do you have, if any?

Include details of jobs, placements, work experience or voluntary work, particularly if it's relevant to your chosen course. Try to link any experience to skills or qualities related to the course.

3. Briefly tell us about any hobbies, interests or achievements you have.

Include any achievements you're proud of, positions of responsibility that you hold or have held either in school, in employment or in the community.

Think about any additional skills you might have that could relate to the course and attributes that make you interesting, special or unique. For example,

- Are you creative? Do you play a musical instrument, take part in sports, enjoy musical theatre, act, sing, draw or paint, enjoy writing, or take photographs in your spare time?
- Are you a practical person? Do you enjoy making things? Fixing computers or machinery? Cooking or baking perhaps?
- Do you have management skills? Do you organise or look after any groups, control a budget or look after staff or finances?
- Are you compassionate? Are you a carer for someone? Have you raised money for a charity?
- Are you multi-lingual? If you speak more than one language this should definitely be included!
- Are you inquisitive? Do you enjoy finding out about things? Discovering how things work through experiments or testing, enjoy doing research through books or online?

4. What do you hope to achieve by studying this course? What are your longer term goals for further study or work?

What would you like to do after completing this course? Do you want to progress to the next level at NESCol, do you want to continue to degree level study at university, find employment or set up your own business?

5. Tell us any other information that you think might be relevant for us to know when processing your application?