

Level 1

Vocational Studies (L1, Year 1)

OCN Certificate

**Duration**

1 year

Location

Rush Green Campus

Starting

Sept 2026

Age

16-18

Careers

Horizons

Course fees per year

AGE 16-18

FREE

Contact us to discuss what Financial support is available.

Overview

This course is designed for young people aged 16-18 or up to 24 with an EHCP, who have Special Educational Needs.

Learners may include those with behaviour, emotional and social difficulties (BESD), Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD), mild or moderate learning difficulties (MLD), attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) or oppositional defiant disorder (ODD).

They are typically working between Entry Level 2 and Level 1 and want to develop their study skills and improve their social integration within a mainstream environment.

What you'll learn

On this course, you will learn:

- Maths
- English
- Personal, Social & Health Education (PSHE)
- Employability
- Enrichment

- In-house work experience

Teaching is tailored to individual EHCP outcomes and learners' personal goals.

Assessments / Exams

You will be assessed through the OCN Level 1 qualification framework and includes portfolio work, practical learning tasks and progress measured against personalised study and employability goals.

Learners are supported to meet expectations such as managing time, working towards deadlines and adapting to a faster-paced learning environment, ensuring development aligns with their EHCP outcomes.

Entry requirements

You will need to have GCSE Maths, English Language and two additional subjects at grade 2 (E) or above.

As part of the application process you will also be asked to explain why you want to study this course, so that we can ensure any course offer made aligns to your career goals.

What this course leads to

On successful completion of this course, you will be able to progress into Year 2 of the Vocational Pathways programme, mainstream vocational courses, employability programmes or supported internships, depending on their readiness, confidence and academic development.

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