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Brightside Mentoring: Prepare for HE

Free opportunity for your students

Brightside's online mentoring connects young people with inspirational role models, to help them make confident and informed decisions about their future. We are working with 9 Higher Education partners to offer a national mentoring programme for young people in their final year of school or college. Students will receive:

- 1:1, personalised support from a trained mentor
- Advice, guidance and resources to help them explore and prepare for their next steps
- An insight into Higher Education and student life, and the practical steps needed to get there

WHO CAN TAKE PART?

Learners in their final year of school or college, including:

- Those in the current admissions cycle, expecting to start their Higher Education course in autumn 2020
- Those who are unsure of their next steps and wish to learn more about Higher Education options

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The project will run from June to September 2020. After signing up, learners will receive further details about the project and will be invited to create their account on Brightside's mentoring platform. They will choose their mentor from a list of trained mentors (including current university students and working professionals) and communicate via a secure and moderated messaging system. Brightside will support them through sharing materials and updates designed to enhance their mentoring conversations.

SAFEGUARDING AND SECURITY

Brightside's mentoring platform is fully secure and complies with latest data protection regulations. We take mentees' safety seriously; all communication is monitored for safeguarding reasons and all messages pass through a highly sensitive moderation filter. All mentors have received safeguarding training for the online context, and have undergone an enhanced DBS check. <u>Click here for more information</u>.

NEXT STEPS

Please encourage interested students to sign up using the information and links provided. There are a limited number of places available so early registration is encouraged.