

## The Emanuel Next Steps Newsletter

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### Careers & Higher Education Information



### Careers and Higher Education Convention

This year's Careers and Higher Education Convention will take place on **Saturday 25th January 2025 1pm-3.30pm**. Sixth Form pupils are expected to attend this event. There will be approximately 50 exhibitors from a wide range of professions who are very keen to share their experience. This includes Deloitte LLP, Transport for London, St George's Hospital, and RSPCA. We also have representatives from a broad selection of 20 universities including the University of Bath, University of Newcastle, University of Manchester, and University of Exeter.

The event is informal; guest representatives stand in front of a large board denoting their career area, and students can engage them in conversation about any aspect of their profession. We encourage students to think broadly and to visit as many stands as possible, particularly those for careers about which they currently know very little. This year we are also running a competition for students who engage most with this event with Amazon vouchers for the winners!

Booking details and further information about the talks on offer will be circulated after the Christmas holiday and will be limited by size of venue on a first come, first served basis. Although optional, I hope students will find a talk which is of interest to them.

We are hoping students will attend the full event, and we would also very much encourage parents to attend as well, if possible, as this helps to provide an environment for meaningful and useful discussion with our guests. I do hope that you will find the event rewarding as well as enjoyable.

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## US Universities



### Why Highly Selective Colleges Are Reinstating The SAT

Students may have hoped that standardized testing for college admissions would remain optional. But several highly selective schools have recently reinstated requirements, and a comparison of their announcements shows that their reasons are surprisingly similar. The university of Texas at Austin joined MIT, Dartmouth, Yale, and Brown in requiring standardized testing as part of its first-year application process. UT's rationale and its data echo that of the four Ivy League+ colleges. Two reasons for the change come up repeatedly in the colleges' announcements: SAT scores predict first-year college grades, and they help admissions officers evaluate a student in context.

The full article can be found [here](#).

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## Resources

**The National Apprenticeship & Education Events** are designed to inspire school & college leavers, and other young adults, to discover more about career and further education opportunities. Click [here](#) for more information.

### Experience Physics and Astrophysics at Nottingham Trent University

**Tuesday 14th January 11:00 - 2:00 pm**

We are excited to invite you to our [Physics & Astrophysics](#) Experience Day. Presented by our academics, undergraduates and school placement students, join us to explore a showcase of research projects which will make the content come alive. Then take a guided tour through a range of our facilities including our observatory, planetarium, MRI, and plasma labs. You will also have a chance to ask questions to current students and find out from academics what



career pathways a Physics degree could lead to. Book [here](#).

**NYFA** is a regionally and nationally accredited college celebrated for its immersive, hands-on approach to arts education. From filmmaking to game design, our programs empower students to achieve their creative goals while gaining unparalleled practical industry experience. With campuses in New York, Los Angeles, and Miami, as well as short-term courses in Florence, Italy, and Australia, we offer diverse opportunities for aspiring artists worldwide. We also proudly offer [Teen Summer Programs](#).

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## Work Experiences & Apprenticeships



**STEM placements** are engaging, real-life workplace experiences, where talented year 12 (or equivalent) students are placed at the heart of a UK host organisation. They are a fantastic opportunity for students to apply skills and knowledge learned at school while providing a meaningful contribution to the work of researchers and industry professionals. These placements are funded by the Nuffield Foundation and powered by STEM Learning. Find out more [here](#).

**Virtual work experience with National Highways**

Students will enjoy:

- 45-minute briefing with the National Highways team
- The opportunity to complete a career challenge at their own pace
- Certification upon completion

These events provide valuable insights into emerging careers and help students build skills that will enhance their future education and employment choices. [Registrations](#) are now open!

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**Wishing you a happy holiday  
season!**





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