

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Whether you have just applied, received an offer of enrolment, or are still uncertain about your next steps, this brief but comprehensive guide will walk you through the process of starting College at Buckinghamshire College Group in September. It provides essential information about enrolment, support services, and other aspects of student life.

Your journey to becoming a student at Buckinghamshire College Group is just beginning. Here are the important steps you need to take before starting College in September:

SUMMER GUIDANCE DAYS

During the summer, the College holds Guidance Days at each campus. These optional events offer you the opportunity to receive personalised advice and guidance from tutors and support teams. Whether you are still deciding on a course or seeking more information about learning support, financial assistance, or welfare support, these Guidance Days provide a valuable platform to have your questions answered.

GCSE RESULTS DAY

For students joining from school, GCSE Results Day falls on Thursday, 21st August 2025. This day is crucial as you will receive your exam results and find out whether you have met the entry requirements for your chosen course. In the event of unexpected results, our campuses will be open to provide guidance on available options and alternative pathways.

ENROLMENT BEGINS

Students who have received an offer will be informed of their enrolment day no later than 1st August.

During your enrolment session, you will meet your new Curriculum Team and have the opportunity to speak to student support services to ensure a smooth transition to College life.

Staff will be available to help you with your car parking permit and advise on transport to College.

Please remember to bring your GCSE results, National Insurance Number, and proof of residential status if you have lived in the UK for less than three years.

YOUR FIRST WEEKS

The first weeks are all about settling in. There will be lots of activities planned to help you get to know the College, your classmates and your tutors. You'll find out more about your course, our college community and what you can get involved in beyond your course.

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU START COLLEGE

As a new College student, you will experience some differences in your daily routine compared to school:

All full-time 16–18-year-olds at Buckinghamshire College Group are on the Study Programme, designed to help you move toward your career goals. It builds skills, knowledge, and experience beyond qualifications, shaped with input from employers and partners.

You will continue developing English and maths. If you haven't yet achieved GCSE grade 4/C, you will be working towards it.

Courses include relevant work experience, with employer-led projects to prepare you for placements.

Our tutorial programme supports your personal and professional growth through WISPA - Wellbeing, Inclusion, Sustainability, Professionalism, and Ambition - helping you navigate study, work, and life.

You will also have opportunities to enrich your experience through trips, clubs, projects, and events.

A dedicated Progress Coach will support you in setting goals, staying on track, and reaching your full potential.

You can wear your own clothes at College, but outfits must be appropriate for the workplace.

During your enrolment day, you'll be issued a College ID card and lanyard. You must wear your College ID and lanyard at all times when on campus.

WHAT SUPPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO YOU?

At Buckinghamshire College Group, we are dedicated to providing exceptional support services to ensure you have a great College experience. The following support services are available:

SEND SUPPORT

If you have learning difficulties, disabilities, medical conditions, or specific needs related to literacy or numeracy, you can access additional support.

STUDENT SERVICES

Our student services team is here to assist you with financial matters, home-related challenges, accommodation issues, course-related queries, one-to-one mentoring, and general advice and guidance.

COLLEGE SUPPORT SCHEME

We provide a College Support Scheme to offer financial assistance for course related expenses such as uniforms, equipment, books, trips and transport. If you are eligible, we also support Free College Meals.

COLLEGE TRANSPORT

We offer various means of transportation, including travel discounts, local links, and a minibus, to help you commute to and from College.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT TEAM

Join our vibrant and growing Student Engagement Team. Becoming a Student Engagement Team member is a great way to connect with fellow students, teaching staff, and have an impact on the quality of services provided by the College.

Being a Student Engagement Team member also demonstrates leadership skills, which can be advantageous during university interviews and enhance your CV.