



## 'What's ahead? - Your Career, Your Choice'

An event for Year 9, 10 & 11 Parents, Carers and Young People

This is a Year 9, 10 and 11 parents' event and is being organised by North Manchester high schools in collaboration with Education Business Solutions and a wide range of post 16 providers. It is taking place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2012 from 6.30 - 8.30pm hosted by Manchester City Football Club, Sport City, Manchester M11 3FF. All associated head teachers are very keen for this to be a success and become an annual event.

The aim of the evening is to inform Year 9, 10 and 11 parents and carers and their sons/daughters about the progression routes available post-16 - including Apprenticeships, Further Education (Colleges), Higher Education (University) and Employment and the range on opportunities on offer. With options imminent it is the ideal opportunity for gathering all this important information.

The format will be a welcome and introduction to the evening with the overall aims then the chance to attend short '**Getting to know**' sessions (relating to Apprenticeships, Further and Higher Education) - these will each last 15 minutes and will be repeated 3 times as below. Through these presentations we expect that all attendees will be in a much better position to make informed decisions with their sons and daughters and about which direction they want to go in the future. There will also be 15 minute **Occupational Talks** from guest speakers involved in the growth employment sectors in the 1894 Suite.

There will be also an **Careers Fair** based in the Citizen Suite open all evening which will be offering information, advice and guidance from experienced practitioners from Further Education and Sixth Form Colleges, Universities, Local Employers, National Apprenticeship Service, Work Based Learning Providers and Foundation Learning and the range of opportunities currently available Post-16. Through informed discussion we can also highlight those skills and qualities which need enhancing in young people (as well as the qualifications) as they move into the workplace.

Timings	Programme		
6.30 - 6.45	Parent registration and refreshments in Citizen Suite		
6.45 - 7.00	Welcome and Introduction in 1894 Suite		
	<b>'Getting to know' Sessions</b>	<b>Occupational Talks</b>	<b>Careers Fair</b>
	<b>Commonwealth Suite</b>	<b>1894 Suite</b>	<b>Citizen Suite</b>
7.10 - 7.25 Session 1	Apprenticeships Colleges (inc 6 <sup>th</sup> Forms) Universities	Area 1 Area 2 Area 3	Open all evening to Parents/Carers and students
7.35 - 7.50 Session 2	Apprenticeships Colleges (inc 6 <sup>th</sup> Forms) Universities	Area 1 Area 2 Area 3	
8.00 - 8.15 Session 3	Apprenticeships Colleges (inc 6 <sup>th</sup> Forms) Universities	Area 1 Area 2 Area 3	
8.15 - 8.30	Access to Careers Fair		
8.30	Close and Coaches		

There will also be an **Advice Zone** run by Connexions for any general advice and guidance.