FAO: Parents & Carers

RE: DCC Alumni

Dear Parents & Carers

We are writing to you today to announce the launch of the Denton Community College Alumni.

It is now 10 years since Denton Community College first opened its doors to welcome and educate the young people of Denton and Tameside. During that time, over 3,500 students have walked the corridors, sat at the desks, made lifelong friendships and been inspired to follow pathways into careers they may never have thought of, or jobs that did not exist when their journey with us began.

As educators, we love to hear about our former students and the journey they take when they leave us. Our motto of Inspire, Aspire & Perform does unite us and underpins what we do here at Denton Community College. We feel that our alumni of former students still have a huge role to play in inspiring our young people to raise their aspirations so that they perform and achieve great things.

The platform we have chosen to host our alumni is the business-networking website LinkedIn and the Denton Community College page can be accessed via this <u>link</u> or through the new 'Alumni' tab on our website, which can be viewed <u>here</u>. LinkedIn is a website for professionals from all sectors and offers its members the online space to highlight their work experience, qualifications, skills and ambitions to prospective employers. It provides a straightforward method of connecting professionals with one other, allowing for continued professional development. As part of our commitment to Careers Education, Information, Advice & Guidance (CEIAG) for our current students, we will be encouraging them to establish a LinkedIn professional profile before they leave us. A 'How To' guide will be shared with our current Year 11 over the coming weeks to support them with this.

We are very excited to launch our own alumni network and the possibilities this may bring for both our current and former students. If you know of a former student or member of staff from Denton Community College, please encourage them to get involved via the link above. In the meantime, they may just want to reminisce with some portraits of our former Head Prefects, which can be viewed <u>here</u>.

Yours sincerely

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