

## Duke's Sixth Form Curriculum Vision

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### Aims and Vision

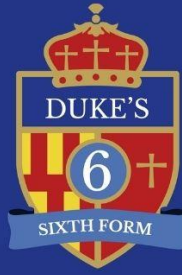
**Inspiring Achievement, Encouraging Compassion:** We will develop a culture of learning, high expectations, success, aspiration, challenge and inclusion in all aspects of life at Duke's Sixth Form. This is reflected through both the academic and wider curriculum offer, through the leadership of Duke's Sixth Form and through daily practices of staff and students, aspiring to develop independent and successful learners with the knowledge, skills, confidence and experience required for successful future steps into further education, employment or training.

### Duke's Sixth Form Curriculum

The Duke's Sixth Form curriculum aims to provide a range of educational pathways for all learners which will allow them to succeed and to progress to their intended destinations. Our academic curriculum provides Vocational and Academic pathways and our wider curriculum provides a range of skill-based, aspirational and careers opportunities. As part of Duke's School and the Northumberland Church of England Academy Trust, our curriculum offer encompasses the four key principles which underpin the Church of England's vision for education:

### Educate for wisdom, knowledge and skills

- Secure an aspirational high achievement culture
- Ensure that our curriculum inspires our students and allows all to follow a pathway that suits their needs and allows them to develop the wisdom, knowledge and skills to take their next steps confidently and successfully
- Our use of the DNA of teaching underpins everything that the pupils will experience in the classroom and ensures that the experience in lessons is inspiring, varied and accessible to all
- Our wider curriculum provides opportunities for students to follow their interests, develop wider skills and experience situations outside of education in order to increase their confidence in making their next steps at the end of their time at Duke's Sixth Form



## **Educate for Hope and aspiration**

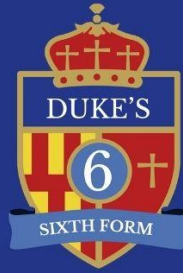
- Our assessment and feedback process will measure the progress that pupils are making against expectations and will provide the necessary support and advice to allow our students to fulfill their potential and successfully transition to their future destinations
- We aim to create a culture of support where everyone can experience success, regardless of starting points and one in which success and diversity is celebrated
- Our students are challenged to secure the highest of outcomes regardless of starting points and to be open-minded towards new ideas, skills and situations
- We provide a wider curriculum that educates our students in the opportunities available to them in the present and the future. Our Careers Support enables our students to make informed choices about their next steps and develop the skills required to make them

## **Educate for community and living well together**

- Through high-quality teaching and learning, our students are encouraged to develop their collaborative learning skills and offer each other mutual support
- Our Guest Speaker Programme provides a range of opportunities for our students to learn about a range of issues that affect their wider community
- Student voice gives our students the opportunity to have an impact on how Duke's Sixth Form can be improved to match their needs
- The Duke's Sixth Form Charity Committee provides the opportunity for our students to make a positive impact on the school and wider community
- An annual Volunteering Abroad Trip allows our students to experience a community outside of their usual perspective and to work as part of a team to make a positive impact on that community

## **Educate for dignity and respect**

- We aim to offer a curriculum that is fully inclusive and provides a pathway for all students, regardless of their starting point
- All of our students are provided with regular careers opportunities and support to ensure that they are aware of the opportunities available to them as their next steps and have the necessary skills to be able to make the most of these opportunities



- Our regular Ethics Conferences educate our students on a range of issues and promote awareness, respect, understanding and tolerance of all members of our local and wider communities