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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 9 Careers College Monday 30th June

On Monday 30th June, Year 9 will be taking part in 'Careers College' to be held at Weymouth College. Careers College has been provided annually for students from across Dorset since 2009. In 2014 Careers College won a prestigious national award - the UCAS Progress AoC Beacon Award for Careers Education and Guidance. The day will enable Year 9 students to make informed judgements about career options and next steps by having hands-on experience of the occupations of most interest to them. Students are asked to complete an online options questionnaire which provides information about each taster event, and students select and number the options they would like to explore. This questionnaire has been completed in tutor time.

In order for this to be provided at no cost to students we are asking students to make their own way to and from Weymouth College using public transport or personal arrangements such as car sharing. As the students are in year 9, this is an opportunity to experience life and opportunities outside of school and learn the independence of having to make their own choices and arrangements.

We will be offering a minibus with a limited number of spaces in order to support. If you would like to reserve a space, as public transport or private arrangements can not be accessed please indicate this on the [consent form](#). Deadline for completion is Monday 23rd June.

The timings of the day are as follows:

9.15am		Arrive Weymouth College meet academy staff outside main reception at 9.15
9.45am	- 11.45am	Workshop
11.45am	-12.15pm	Lunch
12.15pm	-14.15pm	Workshop
2.20pm		Meet for pm registration
2.20pm		Depart and return to Atlantic Academy if on minibus

Please provide your child with a packed lunch. Students will be able to purchase an inexpensive lunch from the canteen at Weymouth College.

For all taster sessions, except tractor driving, a good rule is to wear old, comfortable clothes. If a student is wearing unsuitable clothing, with the correct modesty expected in a professional working environment, they may not be allowed to participate on the visit. Some sessions require students to wear special clothing, please see the list below;

- Engineering/ Construction activities - sturdy shoes or boots
- Sports tasters - sports kit
- All outdoor activities - be prepared for both sunny and wet weather. Wear strong shoes

As with all trips we reserve the right to withdraw a student from the trip on the grounds of their behaviour and conduct in the time leading up to the trip. Anyone considered a safety risk may not be permitted to attend.

Yours faithfully

Miss T Board - Assistant Principal



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