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Dear Parent / Carer,

Support with The Dean Academy's work experience programme

As part of our commitment to preparing students for their future education, training and careers, The Dean Academy is delighted to be reintroducing our Year 10 Work Experience Programme.

Work experience provides young people with an invaluable opportunity to develop confidence, gain an understanding of the workplace, build employability skills and explore potential career pathways. We are excited to offer this opportunity once again and are already planning to ensure that every student has access to a meaningful and rewarding placement.

As this programme has not been run at The Dean Academy for several years, we are effectively rebuilding our network of employer partners from the ground up. This presents an exciting opportunity, but it also means that we need the support of our wider school community.

We are therefore asking whether you, your employer, or someone within your family or professional network may be able to offer a work experience placement or introduce us to an organisation that regularly supports young people in this way.

Placements can be found across a wide range of sectors. We are keen to hear from businesses and organisations of all sizes, including those in:

- * Healthcare
- * Engineering and manufacturing
- * Construction and trades
- * Retail and hospitality
- * Education and childcare
- * IT and digital industries
- * Creative industries
- * Business and finance
- * Public services
- * Charities and voluntary organisations



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- * Agriculture and environmental services
- * Any other sector willing to support a young person for a short placement

At this stage, we are simply looking to identify organisations that may be interested in working with us. Expressing an interest does not commit an employer to offering a placement immediately, but it allows us to begin building relationships that will benefit not only this year's students but future year groups as well.

By helping us establish this network, you will be contributing to a new legacy for The Dean Academy. Each new employer relationship strengthens the opportunities available to our students and helps us create a sustainable work experience programme for years to come.

If you believe you or your employer may be able to help, or if you know of an organisation that may be interested, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please use this link to complete a google form about the relevant business [The Dean Academy Work Experience – Employer Interest Form – Fill in form](#)

Failing that please contact the school directly with the organisation's name, a contact person (where possible), and the best way for us to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support of our students and the wider school community. We look forward to working together to provide our young people with the opportunities they deserve.

Yours faithfully,

Alexander Hughes

Careers Lead



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