

14th November 2019

FutureMe Year 10 Residential
Tuesday 7th – Thursday 9th April 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to let you know about the FutureMe Year 10 Residential event, which your child is eligible to make an application for.

FutureMe is the name of the programme of activities which is offered to students by the North East Collaborative Outreach Programme (NECOP). NECOP is a group of all of the universities and colleges in the North East of England working together to support young people to think about their futures and how higher education can help them reach their goals. Your child's potential to progress to higher education in the future has been recognised and they have been identified as a young person who could benefit from this residential opportunity.

The three day, two night residential will take place between **7th and 9th April 2020**, during the school Easter holiday. It will offer participants the opportunity to experience the life of a higher education student through academic, team building and social activities taking place across several universities and colleges in the North East. The residential is **entirely free of charge, including accommodation, meals, activities and transport**. Travel expenses to and from the residential can also be reimbursed. Accommodation will be provided at Durham University and participants will be transported to other host higher education institutions over the course of the three days.

Your child can apply to take part in the residential by completing the residential application form. The form also requires a parent/carer signature and a brief recommendation by a teacher or other school staff member. Completed hardcopy applications must be returned by the deadline of **Wednesday 11th December 2019** to:

Lucy Busfield, North East Collaborative Outreach Programme,
Printworks Building, Teesside University, Middlesbrough, TS1 3BA

Please note that we are only able to offer fifty places for young people from across the region to attend this residential. We are, therefore, unable to guarantee that every young person who makes an application will be able to participate in the programme. Should your child be selected to participate, further information will be sent to you in January, along with a detailed consent form and a provisional programme of activity. We also plan to hold parent/carer information evenings ahead of the event, which will provide an opportunity to meet FutureMe staff and ask any questions you may have.

Should you have any enquires about the application process, please do not hesitate to contact us via email: info@futureme.ac.uk or by telephone: 01642 738614.

Lucy Busfield
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