

Ayrshire College Vocational Bursts 2021-22

For S2/3 pupils



What is a “vocational burst?”

- A vocational burst is a chance for our pupils to experience learning and teaching from Ayrshire College staff either within our school community or at Ayrshire College campus.
- They cover a wide range of career areas such as Care, Hair and Beauty, Trades and Automotive skills.
- Pupils in S2/3 have the chance to nominate themselves for a place on one of our vocational bursts for this school year.
- Please read the following information and speak to your Guidance teacher who will support your nomination for a place.
- Takes place on a Friday morning between 9-11am.



Why are vocational bursts important?

Identifying
your skills

Developing
your skills



Finding out
more about a
career you are
interested in

Giving yourself
a chance

How do I nominate myself for a place?

Use the MS Form to apply for a place.

You can only apply for one course.

There are specific deadlines for each course, make sure you follow this as late applications will not be accepted.

Make sure you give as much detail as you can. Guidance and parents/carers will be able to help you complete the form.

The form is accessed below and is also on your Assembly Teams page.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKcraUTWN_RJJqAuaTBHSQWNUQ1JHN1BRR1owQUI0RIBZRkQyWjRINVhaSS4u

Course 1 : Care



- Runs from Friday 8th October until Friday 12th November
- Delivered by a lecturer from Ayrshire College in Marr
- Open to S2/3 pupils
- Linked to careers in all areas of care for example: healthcare including nursing, care in the community and care for the elderly
- Nomination MS Form must be returned to Mrs Cleland by Thursday 30th September

Course 2 : Hair and Beauty



- Runs from Friday 19th November until Friday 17th December
- Delivered by a lecturer from Ayrshire College in Marr
- Open to S2/3 pupils
- Links to careers in the Hair and Beauty industry for example : nail technician, hairdresser, barber and make up artist
- Links to our school/college courses in S4-6 including NPA Hair and Beauty for two afternoons per week and our DYW Style and File Nail Bar option too
- Nominations MS Form must be returned by Thursday 4th November

Course 3 : Trades and Construction



- Runs from 7th January until 4th February at Ayrshire College campus
- This is delivered in the Construction area of Ayrshire College by one of the lecturers
- Open to S2/3 pupils
- Pupils have the chance to work with a variety of tools and techniques to experience a variety of different trades
- This course is suited for any pupil who may be looking for a college course and/or apprenticeship opportunity in a construction trade when leaving school
- Nomination MS Forms must be returned by Thursday 2nd December

Course 4 : Automotive



- Runs from 18th February until 25th March at Queen Margaret Academy
- Pupils will be transported from Marr College to Queen Margaret Academy and accompanied by a staff member
- Open to S2/3 pupils
- Pupils will have the chance to develop skills in mechanics
- This links to our DYW Cycle Maintenance option in S4-6 and also to the Skills for Work Automotive Level 5 qualification which is part of the School/College afternoon courses in S4-6
- Pupils can go on to study to be a mechanic through Ayrshire College and may apply for vehicle apprenticeships
- Nomination MS Forms must be received by Thursday 27th January

Course 5 : Early Education & Childcare



- Runs from 22nd April until 27th May in school
- Delivered by a member of staff from Ayrshire College
- Open to S2/3 pupils
- Links to a wide range of school/link courses in S4-6 such as Level 5 Early Education and Childcare and the Foundation Apprenticeship Working with Young People
- This may be of specific interest for pupils who are wishing to pursue a career as a nursery nurse or teacher.
- Nomination MS Forms must be received by Thursday 24th March.