



CHECKLIST

Choosing the Right Vocational Course: A Family Checklist

- ☐ List all vocational subjects your school offers and request sample coursework to see what the work involves

- ☐ Talk to teachers who deliver the courses about how much independent work and how many deadlines students manage

- ☐ Check entry requirements for your child's likely next steps using college and sixth form websites

- ☐ Ask your child which type of learning they enjoy most and where their interests outside school lie

- ☐ Find out what equipment, trips or costs the course involves so you can plan for them early

- ☐ Attend the school's options evening and let your child ask questions directly rather than deciding for them

- ☐ Read the full course specification from the awarding body to understand how grades are decided

- ☐ Discuss the options at home without pressure and focus on what will keep your child engaged and achieving
