

June 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

# Offer Holder Day: (8.40am - 4.00pm)

We are very pleased to invite students to attend their Offer Holder Day on either **Monday 7 July** or **Tuesday 8 July**. Each student has been sent a personalised letter in the post advising them which day they should attend.

This is an important day to help students get settled into college before our Enrolment Days on 21 and 22 August. At the Offer Holder Day, students will meet their tutor group and teachers and it will be an opportunity to confirm that their chosen courses are still the ones that they wish to study. We will also be able to share with students details of the Summer Independent Learning activities (SIL) we'd like them to complete over the summer break to help them get off to a really good start. Please note that students have been invited to attend one of the two different dates on which we are hosting Offer Holder Days, so they may have friends in different schools who are attending on a different date.

This is a day for students only and they should arrive at 8.40am to collect their timetable for the day. They will need to bring a payment card or some money with them if they wish to purchase lunch or any other refreshments throughout the day.

#### If your child cannot attend Offer Holder Day

If there is an important reason why they are unable to attend, please let us know by scanning the QR code or using the link below to complete the form as soon as possible. If the form is not completed and we are not advised of non-attendance, we will assume that they are no longer interested in their place at New College Doncaster and will withdraw their application.



By letting us know, we can also make sure that they are able to access important information about the Summer Independent Learning activities (SIL) that they will need to complete over the summer. Link to form: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/5VAfaUgMEf">https://forms.office.com/e/5VAfaUgMEf</a>

## **Online College Shop**

The college operates a cashless system and all payments are made via the Online College Shop. We will provide information to students at the Offer Holder Day so that each student can set up their account, which will be used to pay for trips and visits, enrolment fees and bus passes (if required). Students in receipt of bursary will also be able to link accounts and purchase items via the Online College Shop with their bursary fund.







#### **Travelling to New College Doncaster on Offer Holder Day**

If you live near a college bus route, free buses will be running on Offer Holder Day. Buses will return at the end of the college day, shortly after 4.00pm. Students can also make their own way to and from college, including via public transport.

You can find our bus times for the morning here: https://ncdoncaster.ac.uk/travel/.

Bus passes for the autumn term will be available to purchase on **Enrolment Day**, once students have completed the enrolment process. It is not possible for new Year 12 students to purchase a bus pass prior to enrolling.

## **Changes to some of our Applied General qualifications**

If your child holds a conditional offer for *Applied Human Biology*, *Applied Science*, *Health and Social Care* (single), *Information Technology* or *Children's Play*, *Learning and Development*, please note that we are changing specifications for these courses for students joining us in September 2025. The content and skills covered in the new specifications are largely similar to the previous qualifications outlined in our prospectus, however, you can view further details of the changes at <a href="https://ncdoncaster.ac.uk/changes-to-qualifications-for-september-2025/">https://ncdoncaster.ac.uk/changes-to-qualifications-for-september-2025/</a>

### **Financial Support**

Please remember that financial support is available to all students who meet the family household income criteria. This can be used to help cover the costs of things such as equipment, travel, course fees, music tuition, clothing and to provide free college meals.

Students that successfully apply for financial support may use the Travel Grant to contribute to the cost of a college bus pass. We would strongly encourage you to apply as soon as possible if you believe that you meet the eligibility criteria so that financial support can be provided as early as possible when students begin their studies, and to help pay for a college bus pass when they enrol. Bursary applications open on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June and all applications received before Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July will be processed in time for enrolment. Bus passes will not be issued without either first payment or an approved bursary application

You can check eligibility and apply now at <a href="https://ncdoncaster.ac.uk/supporting-you-financially/">https://ncdoncaster.ac.uk/supporting-you-financially/</a>.

## **Your New College Booklet**

We recently shared with you a 40-page booklet containing important information about New College Doncaster, including what to expect in the lead up to enrolment, general information about the college and why it's a great choice for Post-16 studies.





We look forward to welcoming students to college on the day.

Yours sincerely

Helen Jackson Principal







