Enterprise Pearson Edexcel BTEC Tech Award





Course Description

BTEC Tech Award in Enterprise will provide learners with opportunities to link education and the world of work in engaging, relevant and practical ways

What topics will I be covering?

Learners must complete three units in total.

Component 1: Exploring Enterprise: this is internally assessed via a written assignment.

Component 2: Planning for and running an enterprise: this is an internally assessed via a written assignment.

Component 3: Promotion and finance for Enterprise: this is externally assessed and will explore promotional methods, financial records, planning and forecasting.

<u>Assessment</u>

60% internally assessed via coursework in 2 assignments and an enterprise activity, 40 % externally assessed via a 2-hour exam.

How much work is required after school?

Students will be required to complete preparation outside of school however, as assessment work has to be supervised, these will be completed in lesson. If a student misses an assessment deadline, then they will be expected to complete the work missed in an intervention session after school.

How is the work assessed and when?

Throughout year 9, students will be assessed at the end of each topic using the assignment criteria for their group challenges. The students will commence Component 1 during year 9 (completed in year 10) which will require students to complete an assignment with a requirement to engage with small local enterprises. In year 10, students will study Component 3 which is assessed by external examination. Finally, in year 11, students will complete their examination in February and will complete Component 2 which is assessed by completing an assignment. Students will have the opportunity to re-sit the exam in June of year 11 (if needed). Students are also allowed one resit opportunity of any assignment submitted.

What do I need to achieve a good grade?

You need to be interested in business and you will need to have a good work ethic. You must be able to work well in groups as well as individually. Thinking creatively and be willing to develop your research, analytical and communication skills will have a major impact on your grades.

If I want to study the subject after GCSE, what grade must I get?

Student will need the minimum of a pass grade for all Components in order to progress onto the level 3 qualification. This is equivalent to a grade 4/5.

What career options lead from this subject?

95% of universities accept BTECs in relevant subject areas, similar to how they would with equivalent A-level qualifications. BTEC students can often be better prepared in terms of the independent studying that's required at degree level, due to the portfolio-based nature of BTEC courses. The time management and self-organisation you'll pick up on a BTEC course can also give you an added edge. A BTEC also prepares students well for an Apprenticeship. qualification or moving into the workplace.

