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Date: September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

As the parent of a Year 9 child, we are writing to you to let you know about the University Technical Colleges (UTCs) that operate in the area. UTCs are secondary schools for young people aged 14 to 19 that are sponsored by a university and local employers. They were set up by the government to encourage young people to study technical subjects and sciences and to give them the opportunity to learn the skills that employers are looking for. UTCs offer places in Year 10 and Year 12. Please be reassured that if you take no action your child will continue at their current school.

All schools must provide impartial careers advice guidance for all students in Year 8-13 to inspire young people to fulfil their potential and ensure they are aware of all opportunities open to them. We strongly recommend that your child discusses their options with a Careers Leader in their current school or college. The Careers Leader will be able to provide children with a wealth of information as part of selecting option subjects and to prepare them for their future careers.

Additionally, information, advice and careers guidance for all young people can be found at:
www.helpyouchoose.org

Below is a list of UTCs in and around Norfolk offering a variety of specialist subjects:

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| <p>University Technical College Norfolk Old Hall Road Norwich Norfolk NR4 6FF</p> | <p>Principal: Mr Alex Hayes Website: www.utcn.org.uk Telephone: 01603 580280</p> |
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VIRTUAL OPEN EVENT: Thursday 8th October 2020, 5.30pm. This virtual event will take place on Zoom, sign up at utcn.org.uk

University Technical College Norfolk (UTCN) is based in Norwich. It has specialisms in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Maths. At UTCN, students in Year 10 and 11 study engineering along with the core subjects of English Language and Literature, Maths, Physics, Chemistry and Computer Science. A range of option choices are also available e.g. Art, Biology, Business, Geography, History and Practical Engineering Skills.

UTCN is sponsored by Lotus Cars, KLM, Gardline, SafeSTS and the University of East Anglia. The sponsors are represented on the governing body and work closely with the school and the students.

UTCN has 120 student places available for September 2021. Information about admissions to Year 10 (and Year 12) is available at this event, on the website (www.utcn.org.uk) or by contacting the school. UTCN is located just south of Norwich city centre and buses link the site with major transport hubs.

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way
Cambridge CB2 0SZ

Headteacher: Ms Sian Foreman
Website: www.cam-ast.org.uk
Telephone: 01223 724300

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology (CAST) is a University Technical College (UTC). Like the other 50 UTCs across England, CAST is a secondary school for young people aged 13 to 19 that is sponsored by a university and business. It has been set up to encourage young people to study Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) and to give students the opportunity to learn the essential skills that are required for employment and university.

Students can apply for a place during Year 8 to start a 'Foundation to GCSE' course in Year 9, or if they are currently in year 9 they can apply to begin GCSE courses in Year 10. CAST also has a dedicated sixth form where students specialise in A level or BTEC qualifications in the Sciences.

Places are available for September 2021 Information about admissions and applications to year 9, year 10 and year 12 are available on the academy website, www.cam-ast.co.uk, or by contacting the college directly. CAST is holding Open Days in November (provisionally 5 – 6pm on 2, 3 and 5 November 2020). To find out more and visit the Academy please telephone 01223 724300 or email admissions@parksidedefederation.gov.uk.

The Academy is located on the Cambridge Biomedical Campus (adjacent to Addenbrooke's Hospital) approximately 3km south of Cambridge City Centre.

Please contact the relevant UTC for information about admissions to Year 10 and/or check their website for further information about what the UTC can offer.

You will need to apply directly to the UTC if you wish your child to be considered for a place in Year 10.

You should also be aware that for families living in Norfolk free school transport is only provided to a UTC if it is closer than your nearest school or nearest catchment school and it is beyond 3 miles from the home address. If you live in another local authority area you will need to contact them to check their transport policy.

For general information regarding school admissions see www.norfolk.gov.uk/admissions or email admissions@norfolk.gov.uk and for further careers guidance see www.helpyouchoose.org.

We have used the address provided by your child's current school as recorded in January 2019 to write to you; if this address is no longer correct please contact the school so that they can update and correct their records if you have not done so already.

Yours sincerely



Eric Clarke
Admissions Manager