

Pontefract New College

[Prospectus : New College Pontefract \(ncpontefract.ac.uk\)](https://www.ncpontefract.ac.uk)

New College offer a range of L3 courses (A levels, vocational courses and T Levels) which require 5 GCSEs at a minimum of grade 4 (including English and maths). Some subjects will require a much higher grade than the minimum of 4 (for example maths A level needs a GCSE pass at grade 7). New College do not offer the same range of practical courses as Wakefield/Castleford College.

Application deadline: 19 February 2024

CAPA

<https://www.capa.college/prospectus/>

A specialist performing arts college based in Wakefield city centre. All courses are L3 with a minimum entry requirement of 5 GCSEs at grade 4 including English and maths. An audition is also required and performance standards are high.

Application deadline: 21 January 2024

Leeds College of Building

[lcb_school_leavers_prospectus-23-24_a5_14.pdf](#)

A specialist building college that offers a wide range of construction courses at all levels, including T Levels, based in Leeds City Centre.

Application deadline: None but some courses can fill up quickly so apply as soon as possible.

Askham Bryan

<https://www.askham-bryan.ac.uk/our-prospectuses/>

A specialist college that offers courses at entry level to L3 in animal care, agriculture and equine studies. The college is based in York but it has a small Wakefield Campus and transport links from Castleford and Wakefield bus station plus the Knottingley Morrison's car park.

Application deadline: None but some courses can fill up quickly so apply as soon as possible.



UTC Leeds

[UTC-Leeds-Y12-Prospectus V2 online \(utcleeds.co.uk\)](#)

A specialist engineering college that offers a range of L3 qualifications including A levels, T levels and STEM related A levels.

Application deadline: None but the 6th Form takes only 150 students many of which will apply from their own Y11 so early applications are essential.

Wakefield College & Castleford College

<https://wakefield.ac.uk/downloads/prospectus/2023/FE%202023%20Prospectus%20-%20Wakefield%20LOW.pdf>

https://issuu.com/wakefieldcollege/docs/wakefield_college_sixth_form_guide

These colleges offer a range of courses (foundation learning, A Levels, T Levels and vocational courses) at all levels for students including a range of practical courses such as animal care, construction, hairdressing etc.

Application deadline: None but applications received by 1st May will be given priority for an interview date.

Leeds City College Prospectus (vocational courses)

[Leeds City College FE Prospectus 2023 by Luminate Education Group - Issuu](#)

Leeds City College 6th Form College (A levels)

https://leedssixthform.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/PRO_LSFC-2024-Prospectus.pdf

Leeds City College has a similar offer to Wakefield/Castleford College and campuses located across Leeds city centre.

Application deadline: None but some courses can fill up quickly so apply as soon as possible.

Airedale Academy 6th Form

<https://www.airedaleacademy.com/sixthform-overview/>

A small 6th form attached to an academy (Y7 to Y11) which offers Performing Arts, Health & Social Care, or Business at L3.

Application deadline: no deadline but as it is small 6th form early application advised.

St Wilfrid's 6th Form

<https://www.flipbookpdf.net/web/site/5a34bc2be8ac3e3fae5b631f30a0daa87ffcd9d202210.pdf.html#page/1>

A small 6th form attached to a main stream school in Featherstone offering a range of courses at L3 including A levels and vocational courses.

Application deadline: 6th Form interviews take place between January and March so applications should be made before Christmas.

Barnsley College Prospectus (vocational courses)

[BC Vocational Guide 2023 Flip \(flippingbook.com\)](#)

Barnsley College 6th Form College (A levels)

[BSFC Course Guide 2023 WEB \(flippingbook.com\)](#)

[Barnsley College has a similar offer to Wakefield/Castleford College and is located in the centre of Barnsley.](#)

Application deadline: None but some courses can fill up quickly so apply as soon as possible.

Greenhead

https://www.greenhead.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/GREENHEAD-COLLEGE-PROSPECTUS-interactive_v1-1.pdf

Selective 6th Form in Huddersfield.

Application deadline: Friday, 1 December 2023

Doncaster Equine College

<https://cdn.yello.link/doncasterequinecollege/files/DEC-Prospectus-2022.pdf>

A specialist college offering vocational courses at all levels in equine.



The National Horse Racing College

<https://www.thenhc.co.uk/>

Sister college Doncaster Equine College which specialises more in the racing industry.

Application deadline: No deadline but early applications recommended.

Leeds Arts University L3 Offer

<https://www.leeds-art.ac.uk/courses/extended-diploma-in-creative-practice>

Offers specialist L3 creative art courses as well as degrees.

Application deadline: 31 January 2024

General Information

Qualification levels explained:

Entry Level/Level 1 – Can require anything from no qualifications up to 3 GCSEs (any subject)

Level 2 – Usually requires 3 GCSEs at Grade 3 or above

Level 3 – Usually requires 5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including English and/or maths. Check individual courses carefully as some subjects may require higher grades

Apprenticeships

All students who are seeking an apprenticeship need to see Ms Chapman so she can give tailored support to search and apply for apprenticeships plus discuss back up plans of full time courses.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> - register and search for apprenticeship vacancies. Use 'search', enter your postcode and the distance you would be willing to travel, select the 'intermediate' and 'advanced' level. You can apply for any vacancies with a start date of August/September 2024.

Many apprenticeships require GCSEs at grade 4 and can be advertised at any time during Y11 but usually from February onwards.