

A message from the Principal

The Hive College provides students aged between 19 to 25 with learning difficulties and disabilities the opportunity to participate in the very best education and training.

The aim of our THRIVE study programmes are to support young people into supported employment and volunteering roles, or assist them with their communication skills so that when they leave The Hive College they can participate safely in activities within their community.

We have highly skilled specialist staff who are dedicated to do all they can to help our students develop and succeed. We expect our students to do their very best, achieve their goals and make the very best of the opportunities they will enjoy with us.

As you read more about THRIVE at The Hive, I hope you will think our programme is exciting and really worth considering. If you enrol, I feel confident you will not regret it.



Kim Everton

**College Principal
The Hive College**

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THRIVE Volunteering Programme



The THRIVE Volunteering study programme has been developed to provide expert academic and vocational tuition, along with advice, guidance and the support necessary to facilitate the transition into supported employment, volunteering roles and improve independent skills.

The Curriculum

The study programme curriculum will consist of the following:

- Skills for Supported Employment
- Working as a Volunteer
- Health and Safety in the Workplace
- Participation in Realistic Working Environments within the college
- Maths
- English
- Independence and Wellbeing

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Volunteering Programme

Students will progress through the phases at a pace to suit their needs and abilities.

Phase one will include preparation for working in supported employment and volunteering activities. Students will participate in a variety of activities within the local community supported by teaching staff, teaching assistants and support workers. They will achieve vocationally related qualifications that are practical based with evidence generated through observation of 'getting the job done'. Maths and English will also form part of the college week, along with the personal and social skills needed to be able to progress into supported employment and volunteering roles.

Phase two will focus on volunteering roles within the students own community in an area of interest that suits the students' needs and abilities. Students will receive systematic instruction from a Support Coach whilst in the workplace and will continue with their academic studies at college.

Phase three will focus on the transition into their volunteering job role by increasing the number of days in the workplace and decreasing the amount of time in college. Parents, employers and the college will work together to develop a support plan that allows each student to progress through their own study programme, in preparation for their transition from college into society.

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THRIVE Communication Programme

The Thrive Communication programme has been developed to provide expert academic and vocational tuition, along with advice, guidance and the support necessary to facilitate the transition into adulthood and equip students with the skills needed to participate in community activities and improve independence skills.



The Curriculum

The study programme curriculum will consist of the following:

- Preparation for Adulthood
- Healthy Lifestyles
- Independence and Wellbeing
- Community Participation
- Maths
- English

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Communication Programme

Students will progress through the phases at a pace to suit their needs and abilities.

Phase one Students will participate in a variety of activities within the local community. They will be supported by teaching staff, teaching assistants and support workers to develop their communication skills, to enable them to integrate within their own communities and participate in activities that interest them.

Maths and English will be embedded into the curriculum, along with the personal and social skills needed to progress into adulthood.

Phase two will focus on students preferred community activities to suit their needs and abilities. Students and parents/carers will be supported by the Parent and Community Worker to explore opportunities to be involved in what interests the student within their own communities.

Phase three Students will focus on the transition from college to adult life. The Parent and Community Worker will ensure that the support is in place for students to progress in preparation for their transition from college into society.

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Programme of Study

Students will attend college 4 days per week and will work through the phases at a pace to suit their needs.

Throughout the phases the focus is on encouraging students to participate in roles within their community and improve their personal and social skills. They will be assisted by a dedicated team of teachers, teaching assistants, and support and care staff. There is also a College Nurse on site 5 days per week.

Our curriculum is designed to include substantial qualifications in both academic and vocational subject areas from Entry Level 1-3. We offer a flexible, personalised study programme which provides our students with an appropriately challenging learning experience to enable progression through each phase of the programme.

Non-qualification activities will include independent living skills and social relationships.

The curriculum offered at The Hive College is detailed below:

Personal Social	Independent Living	Volunteering
Horticulture	Maths	English
Wellbeing	Communication Pathway	Preparation for Adulthood
Healthy Lifestyles	Community	

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