

# DCG Welcomes all our **Parents and Carers**



# Welcome to Derby College Group

Here at Derby College Group we would like to welcome all our parent and carers. We are here to support your child through their journey with us. As a parent/carers we aim to keep you involved in your child's education and learning.

Personal tutor:

Pastoral coach:

## Student Study Programme

Our study pathways offer a clear route to long-term success.

### English and maths

Continue to improve your skills in English and maths alongside your chosen subject. This includes working towards GCSE grades 4 and above if you've not already achieved them.

### Technical or academic qualification

Choose from one of the broadest ranges of subjects in the East Midlands. We help you select the study pathway which is perfect for you – based on your career plans and your existing qualifications and experience.

### Work experience

Gain hands-on experience in your chosen industry – through exciting placements, employer-led projects, guest speaker sessions and company visits.

### Personal and Professional Development

Receive expert advice on making a smooth transition to the next stage of your life. Our Personal and Professional Development programme helps you make the right choices, supports your personal development and equips you with the skills to succeed at College and beyond.

### Employability skills

Build transferable skills like IT, communication, teamworking, creativity, leadership, enterprise, problem-solving and decision-making – all the qualities employers are looking for.

### Support tailored to you

Benefit from a Student Experience and Pastoral Coach who will be assigned to you throughout your time at College, ensuring your learning stays on track. You can also access a wide range of additional support to attain your goals, depending on your individual learning needs.



# Support Services

## Learning Support Services

The Learning Support Services team is here to help you maximise your potential and reach your learning goals.

We offer support on all college sites in-class, outside of the classroom, with exams and assessments and in the wider College environment. This support is to enable you to access all available opportunities and to have the most positive learning experience whilst studying at DCG. Whatever learning difficulty or disability you may have, we can offer tailored support to match your individual needs.



## Student Services

The Student Services Team is here to provide you with the information, advice and guidance you need. The team offers information on:

- Enrolment
- ID cards
- b-line cards / travel information
- Referrals to other teams for support such as Careers or Welfare

## Library

Come into the Library and ask any one of the friendly staff. All the Library team are skilled researchers and willing to help you find the information you need and guide you to resources that perhaps you might not have considered to help you finish those assignments.





# Support Services

## Bursary

It is available to students who are enrolled on further education courses, either full-time or part-time, and who meet the eligibility criteria. Funding is not available for students on apprenticeships, higher education or full-cost courses where other funding rules may apply. You must also meet the residency criteria.

## Pastoral

As well as monitoring student's attendance and progress, the Student Experience and Pastoral coach will coach individuals and small groups of students. The coach will work with students to develop their skills and help them to overcome barriers to their learning and progress including exam stress, workload, meeting deadlines and pastoral issues.



## DCG Students' Union

Run by students for students, Derby College Students' Union (DCSU) is here to represent our students. Independent from the College and democratically controlled by students, we champion the learner voice, our students input is crucial to ensure they have the best experience with DCG.

## Careers

The Careers and Guidance Service is available to help with any decisions related to your students future career path. Our experienced team will help them make a well informed and realistic decision about their next steps.

## Young Carers / LAYP

Being a young carer or a looked after young person may have an impact upon your attendance, wellbeing and overall college experience. We offer lots of support at college, there will be a designated person at each site that can offer support as and when this is needed.

## Study Skills

Study Coaches offer academic support beyond the classroom, providing additional support on top of the timetable. Coaches can offer support with: assignments, projects, organisational skills, academic writing, referencing and revision skills.

## Work Experience

Work Experience is essential for students to gain a hands-on understanding of the world of work whilst developing valuable skills, knowledge, and behaviours required in the workplace. The Work Experience & Progression Team have Work Experience and Progression Mentors based at each campus; they are linked to each curriculum area and work closely with employers and curriculum to provide the best quality opportunities for all DCG students.





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# Parent and Carer Events

## Parents Consultation Evenings

Parents Consultation Evenings are an opportunity for you to meet with your child's subject teacher to discuss their progress on their course.

### Year 2 Students

Broomfield Hall

**Wednesday 27th November 2024**

The Joseph Wright Centre

**Wednesday 4th December 2024**

The Roundhouse

**Wednesday 11th December 2024**

### Year 1 Students

The Roundhouse

**Wednesday 29th January 2025**

Broomfield Hall

**Wednesday 5th February 2025**

The Joseph Wright Centre

**Wednesday 12th February 2025**

For more information on these events and how to book your place, visit the website:

[www.derby-college.ac.uk/parents/parents-and-carers-evenings/](http://www.derby-college.ac.uk/parents/parents-and-carers-evenings/)



## Supporting you and your child

DCG are here to support you and your child through their journey of education.

### Join the DCG Parent and Carer Support Group...

We have created a Parent and Carer Support Group on Facebook, as a place for you to:

- Access resources and content related to well-being, careers, study skills
- Ask questions and offer suggestions related to College
- Network and support other parents and carers

The page is managed by the Student Pastoral Coaches from each campus who can answer your queries.

[www.facebook.com/groups/DCGParentCarerSupportGroup](https://www.facebook.com/groups/DCGParentCarerSupportGroup)

### Sign up to our Parent and Carers monthly e-newsletter...

The Parents e-newsletter is sent to you via email once a month. It contains information on key dates, events and extracurricular activities that your child may be involved in at College. To ensure that you receive our newsletter and information on your child's Student Journey sign up to the e-newsletter at: [www.derby-college.ac.uk/parents/keep-in-touch/](http://www.derby-college.ac.uk/parents/keep-in-touch/)

## Access the Parents Portal

We have a dedicated online Parents Portal for you to log onto. The Parents Portal enables you to view your child's live attendance, progress reports and SMART Targets.

To access the Parents Portal log on to: <http://moodle.derby-college.ac.uk>

> 'Quick links'

> 'Parent Portal'

For more information for Parent/Carers take a look at the dedicated Parent pages on the Derby College Group website: [www.derby-college.ac.uk/parents](http://www.derby-college.ac.uk/parents)



# Derby College Curriculum/Support Calendar 2024/2025



Core Teaching	
Student Holidays (FT)	
Bank Holidays	
Closure Days	
Timetabling/Rooming Planning	
A Level Results	
Mandatory Inset	
Enrolment	
Planning Week	
GCSE Results	
Year 2 Transition	
Induction/Teaching commences	

September 2024 (16 days)						
Week no.	M	T	W	T	F	S
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4	30					

December 2024 (14 days)						
Week no.	M	T	W	T	F	S
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	30	31				

March 2025 (21 days)						
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June 2025 (21 days)						
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October 2024 (19 days)						
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	28	29	30	31		

January 2025 (19 days)						
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April 2025 (11 days)						
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July 2025 (4 days)						
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August 2024						
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November 2024 (20 days)						
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February 2025 (15 days)						
Week no.	M	T	W	T	F	S
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May 2025 (16 days)						
Week no.	M	T	W	T	F	S
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29	5	6	7	8	9	10
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August 2025						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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For an accessible version of this calendar scan the QR code or visit the Derby College website at:  
[www.derby-college.ac.uk/derby-college-term-dates/](http://www.derby-college.ac.uk/derby-college-term-dates/)





## Where to find us

### The Roundhouse

Roundhouse Road  
Pride Park  
Derby  
DE24 8JE



### The Joseph Wright Centre

Cathedral Road  
Derby  
DE1 3PA



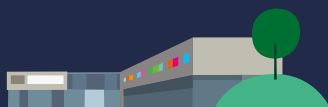
### Broomfield Hall

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### The Community College

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