

Welwyn & Hatfield 14-19 Consortium

UCAS Higher Education Convention ExCeL, London Monday 27th March 2023

Dear Students and Parents /Carers,

As part of a programme of advice and guidance for students, we organise a trip to a Higher Education Convention for all Year 12 students to consider preparation for University. We encourage our students to explore all options at this stage in their post-16 education. This Convention will be held at the ExCeL, London on Monday 27 March 2023.

We have booked coaches from each of the schools and the cost for the whole event will be £17 per student. The coaches will depart at 8am and will depart for return at approximately 12.45pm. If your son or daughter is in receipt of the 16-19 bursary the cost will automatically be covered by the school. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact mjackson@bishophatfield.herts.sch.uk as there may be support available for this visit.

Throughout the event students will have the opportunity to speak to representatives from over 150 Higher Education Institutions and will find out information about courses, entry requirements, finances and student life. There will also be a number of presentations running throughout the morning. Each presentation will last around 20 minutes allowing plenty of time for questions and students to continue to look around the fair. Students are advised to arrive at lecture rooms ten minutes prior to the presentations starting and queue patiently. There will be no admission once the room is full or the talk has started.

There are expected to be thousands of students attending so it will be very busy. They may prefer to bring their own food and drink to avoid queues. Students in receipt of free school meals will be provided with a school packed lunch.

All students will need to register for their own ticket and either print it out ready for the day (or save it to their smartphone) in order to gain access to the event. **YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ENTRY WITHOUT A PERSONAL TICKET.** Heads of Sixth Form will inform students on how to obtain their ticket, once payment has been received.

If you are unsure about any of the above arrangements, please speak to your Head of Sixth Form. Please pay on wisePAY by **Monday 13th March 2023.**

In anticipation of you having a useful, informative and enjoyable morning,

Yours sincerely

Mrs E James
Head of Sixth Form