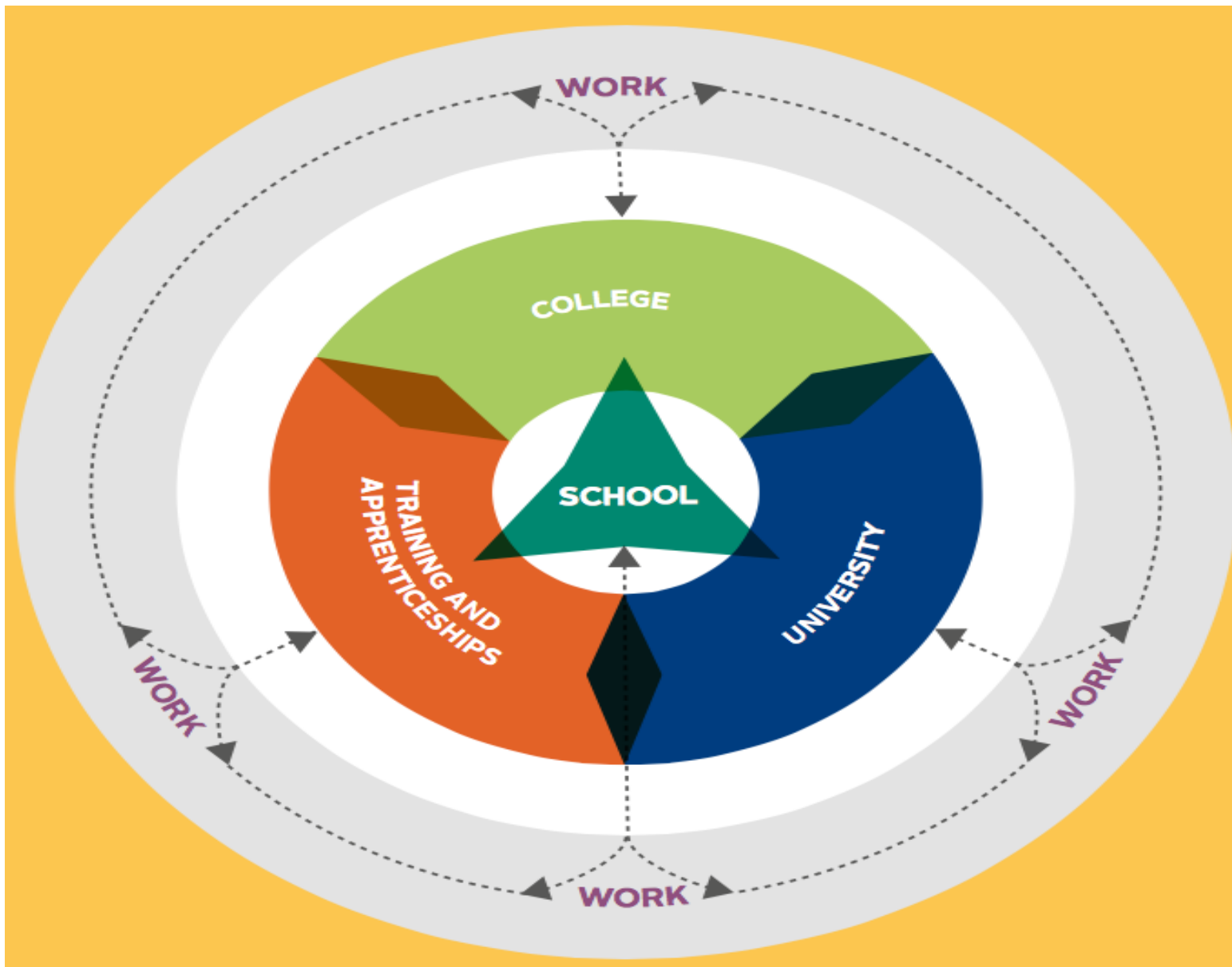




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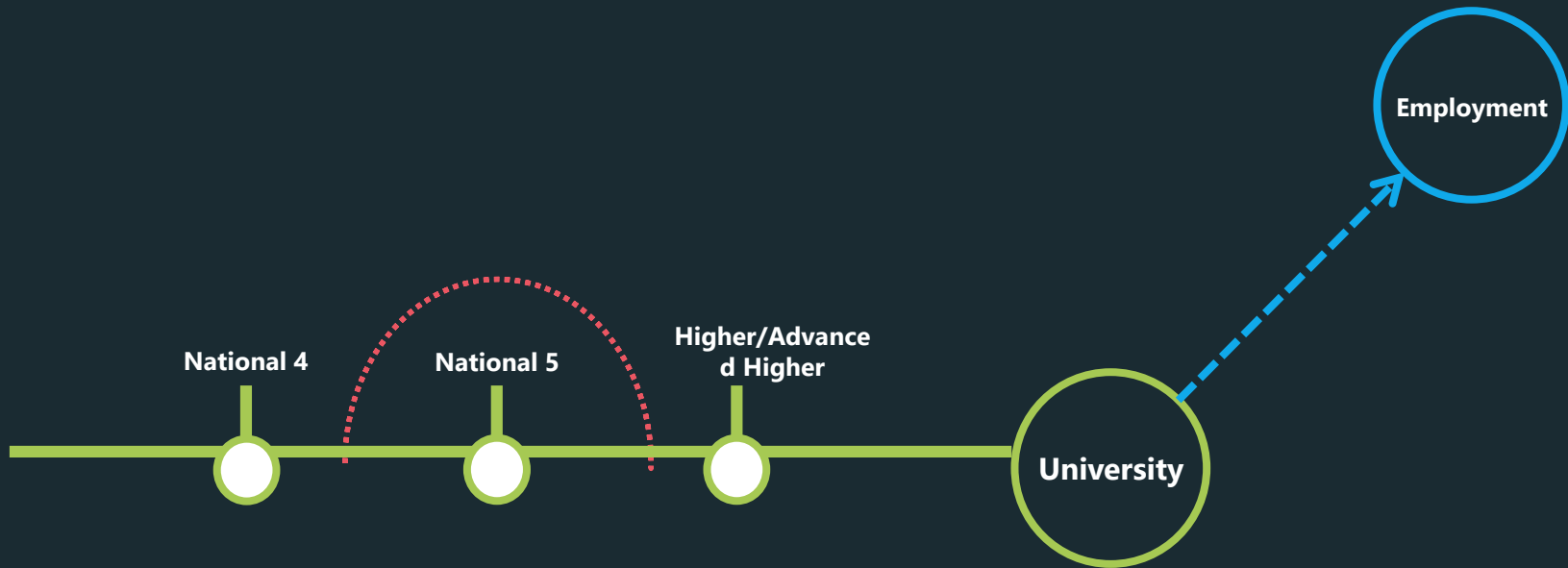
Positive & Sustainable Destinations



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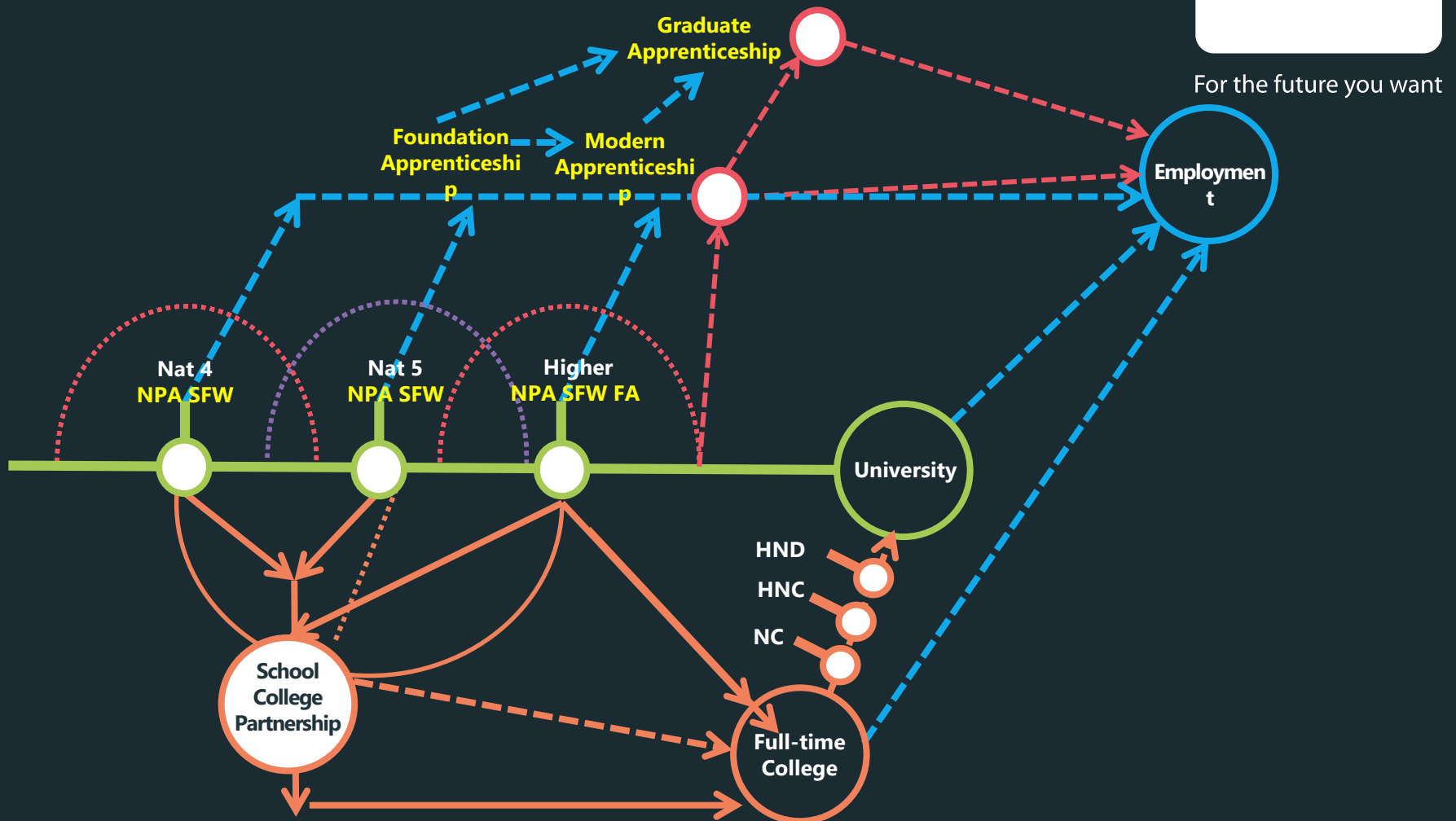


For the future you want



For the future you want

MORE CHOICES



MANY ROUTES



For the future you want

no-wrong-path

For the future you want



Pupils should do some research to help with future planning/goals

- Useful websites to help:
 - www.myworldofwork.co.uk
 - www.planitplus.net
 - <https://digital.ucas.com/search>
 - <https://www.apprenticeships.scot/>
 - www.UCAS.com
 - www.theedinburghguarantee.co.uk
 - www.edinburghcollege.ac.uk
 - www.mykidscareer.com
 - www.discoveruni.org.uk



University Entrance

- Scottish Universities – usually require 4/5 Higher passes by the end of S5 (1st sitting)
- **Additional passes** at Higher in S6 may be required if minimum not met in S5
- Some Scottish Universities may set conditions on Advanced Highers if the S5 conditions are not met.
- Completion of AH is very important for those who start them as it is excellent preparation for university
- English Universities - require 2 or 3 Advanced Highers in addition to 4/5 good Higher passes in S5



Returning to school for S6

S6 is:

- Another chance to get qualifications
- Broaden the learning experience by taking new subjects
- An opportunity to become an independent learner
- Develop leadership and organisational skills
- A full time commitment (part time jobs are a good thing but school needs to come first!)



Responsibility and Commitment

- Punctuality
- Good Attendance
- Completion of Homework
- Meet deadlines
- Involvement with younger pupils
- Wearing school dress
- Planning for the future
- Cooperation, positive attitude and good behaviour



Extra Curricular Opportunities

- Helping to lead and run department extra curricular activities
- Participating in the “In class support” programme to help younger years
- Baccalaureate
- Mentors in Violence Prevention peer education
- Committees
- Young Enterprise
- Prefects
- Head team
- MWOW ambassadors
- Young STEM Leaders



Course Choice Process



School Entry Requirements

- ❖ Read the Course Choice Booklet carefully
- ❖ Make sure entry requirements for courses are met
- ❖ S5 pupils are placed first



Course format for S6

- ❖ Minimum : **15 Hours** Maximum: **20 hours**
- ❖ 2/3 Advanced Highers (English Universities/Medicine)
- ❖ 2 Advanced Highers + 1H/N5
- ❖ 1 Advanced Higher + 2H/N5
- ❖ 3 or 4 subjects at Higher level/N5
- ❖ Repeating to upgrade...caution...check it is acceptable with universities



The case for Advanced Highers

- ❖ AH prepare you for academic study
- ❖ Research shows that students with AHs do better once they are at University
- ❖ Some Scottish/all English Universities will set conditions on AH passes



The case against Advanced Highers

- ❖ **Highers** are the entry requirements for **most** Scottish Universities
- ❖ Most conditionals will be on basis of Highers at Scottish Universities
- ❖ If you have not met the entry requirements from S5...do more Highers
- ❖ Advanced Highers will not get you in if you do not have the minimum entry requirements



Case Study 1

- Melissa has the following from S5:
 - H English – B
 - H Drama – B
 - H History – C
 - H Maths - D

In S6, she plans to take: AH English, AH Drama & H Geography.

What do you think of this coursing, with regards to future university applications?



What the university said...

Our advice would be that she take more Highers rather than AHs – a good rule of thumb is to ensure at the very least 4 (ideally 5) Highers at good grades to have a good chance of offers (although it will, of course, depend on the uni). Good to remember that many unis do not count both H and AH in a subject so, although the AH Eng and Drama could be used to upgrade the Bs in the Hs in Eng and Drama, she would still only have the potential of having three subjects at grade B or above (which would not be enough for most unis).



Case Study 2

David has the following from S5:

- H English – A
- H Maths – A
- H History – A
- H French – A
- H RMPS - A

In S6, he plans to take: AH English, H Music, H Art
H Economics

What do you think of this coursing, with regards to future university applications?



What the university said...

*Unless there's a reason for the three new Highers in S6 (i.e. subjects that the pupil is missing that they realise that they need for a particular course) a 5 A student taking only 1 AH (*unless* the school can't provide more) ***may*** look like they are not pushing themselves in preparation for uni-level study. A 5 As student should be encouraged to get AHs, if it's possible at the school. It may, actually, not make much difference in admissions – but those students should be using S6 to get prepared for that level of study to ease transition.*

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S4 Curriculum National 3,4,5

Administration and IT
Art & Design
Biology
Business Management
Chemistry
Computing Science
Design & Manufacture
Drama
Economics
Engineering Science
English
French
Geography
German
Graphic Communication
Health & Food Technology
History
Mandarin
Maths – *National 4/5 or*
Applications of Maths – *N4*
Media Studies
Modern Studies
Music
Physical Education
Physics
Practical Cookery
Practical Woodwork
RMPS
Science
Spanish

S4 Core Curriculum

- PE
- PSE
- Wider Achievement Awards in
- 1) Health & Wellbeing
- 2) Religion, Belief & Values

S5 or S6

College Courses

Schools College Partnership (SCP)
Foundation Apprenticeship
Courses - Various

National 5 or SCQF Level 5 NPA

Art & Design
Business Man.
Computing Science
Digital Media
English
Maths N5
Applications of Maths PE
HFT
Practical Cookery
Practical
Woodworking
Media Studies
Photography
Practical Science
Sports Leadership

Higher (H) or SCQF Level 6 NPA

Art & Design
Biology
Chemistry
Computing Science
Data Science
Digital Media
Design & Manufacture
Drama
Economics
English
Engineering Science
French
Geography
German
Graphic Communication
HFT
History
Human Biology
Mandarin
Mathematics
Applications of Maths
Media Studies
Modern Studies
Music
PE
Philosophy
Photography
Physics
RMPS
Spanish
College Courses

College Courses

Schools College Partnership (SCP)
Foundation Apprenticeship

S6 only

S6 Advanced Higher (AH)

Art & Design
Biology
Business Management
Chemistry
Computing Science
Database Design & Programming (Oracle)
Design & Manufacture
Drama
Engineering Science
English
French
Geography
German
Health and Food Technology
History
Mandarin
Mathematics
Mathematics of Mechanics
Mathematics - Statistics
Modern Studies
Music
Physical Education
Physics
RMPS
Science Baccalaureate
Spanish

Rectangular Snip

S5 Core Curriculum

Career Management
Skills – PSE/Assembly – Study

S5 H to S6 AH

S6 Core Curriculum

PSE – Assembly – Study



Neighbourhood/College

- ❖ S6 pupils can solve clashes by going to JGHS/St Thomas of Aquin's & other neighbourhood schools
- ❖ Neighbourhood schools may offer additional courses at H & AH level
- ❖ College courses detailed in Course Choice booklet - Tues/Thurs afternoon
- ❖ **Please note these may involve online/remote learning for session 2022/23**



Picking up courses

- S6 – Departments will be rigorous about entry requirements – read course choice booklet
- Entry to Advanced Highers – A or B in prelim or by negotiation with Curriculum Leader
- S5 will always have priority if numbers in classes are tight



What now?

- Do some research regarding possible careers and courses to make sure S6 is the best choice for you
- Read the course choice booklet and choose appropriate subjects
- Read the information guide on how to make online choices
- Make school choices by **25 February** and if applying to college make sure you've completed your application by **18 March** (and let your guidance teacher know you are applying for SCP)



Post Course Choice

- ❖ All courses require viable numbers - we will confirm courses that are running asap
- ❖ Confirmation of College places in June
- ❖ Confirmation of school courses by end of June/August
- ❖ Opportunity to re-course in August