Future Options

- **Future Options/Course Choice:**
  Claire Paterson (DHT)
  Cara Davidson (SDS)
  Alan Binnie (Edinburgh College)

- **In attendance:**
  - **Fiona Grant, Pupil Support Leader**
  - **Peter McIlwaine, Pupil Support Leader**
  - **Caroline Nisbet, Pupil Support Leader**
  - **Kerry Scherczer, Pupil Support Leader**
  - **Lucy Wallace, Pupil Support Leader**
  - **Clare Braisby, Curriculum Leader**

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

Leadership and organisational skills

A full time commitment

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 Involvement

Helping with extra curricular activities – STEM club/homework club/PE activities

In class support

Baccalaureate

Mentors in Violence Prevention

Committees

Young Enterprise

Prefects

Head team

House captains

Course format for S6

- ❖ Minimum : **17 Hours**
  Maximum: **22 hours**

- ❖ 3 Advanced Highers (English Universities/Medicine/Dentistry/Vet)

- ❖ 2 Advanced Highers + 1H/N5

- ❖ 1 Advanced Higher + 2H/N5

- ❖ 3 or 4 subjects at Higher level/N5

- ❖ Period for PSE and Period for assembly

S6 Non-contact Periods

- Additional Study for subjects

- In class support

- Work for committees

- Attendance marked as OAT (other attendance out of school) - parental responsibility

Neighbourhood/College

❖ Neighbourhood schools may offer additional courses at H & AH level

❖ S6 pupils can solve clashes by going to JGHS/Tynecastle/Firrhill & other neighbourhood schools

❖ College courses detailed in Course Choice booklet & online at Edinburgh College- Tues/Thurs afternoon

Planning for the future- Research

- Visit websites:
  - www.myworldofwork.co.uk
  - www.planitplus.net
  - www.UCAS.com
  - www.theedinburghguarantee.co.uk
  - www.edinburghcollege.ac.uk
  - https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk
  - https://discoveruni.gov.uk

    https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/what-can-i-do-with-my-degree

University Entrance

- Scottish Universities – 4/5 Higher passes by the end of S5 (1st sitting)

- **Additional passes** at Higher in S6 if minimum not met in S5

- Repeating to upgrade…caution...check it is acceptable

- Most courses at Scottish Universities require Highers not AHs

- Don't pick Advanced Highers if you don't have a good set of Higher from S5

- **English** Universities - require 2 or 3 Advanced Highers in addition to 4/5 good Higher passes in S5

Edinburgh College SCP and Post School Options

Edinburgh Schools and Young People

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Edinburgh College

Around 20,000 students

Edinburgh · East Lothian · Midlothian

One of Scotland's largest colleges WITH AROUND 20,000 STUDENTS

Working with more than **1,000 INDUSTRY PARTNERS** to provide you with the best possible opportunities for employment

99% of our successful full-time students move on to employment or further study **WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF GRADUATING**

13% of all higher education in Scotland is delivered in colleges and the sector enables over **8,500 students** to progress into university each year

Clear progression routes to **UNIVERSITY OR EMPLOYMENT**

94% of all learning in Scottish colleges leads to a recognised qualification

Scottish and UK NUS **AWARD-WINNING STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

MORE THAN 700 vocational and academic courses from entry level to degree programmes

Edinburgh College is **THE BIGGEST SINGLE PROVIDER** of students to Edinburgh universities

Colleges are the biggest delivery agent of Modern Apprenticeships, supporting over **13,000** students
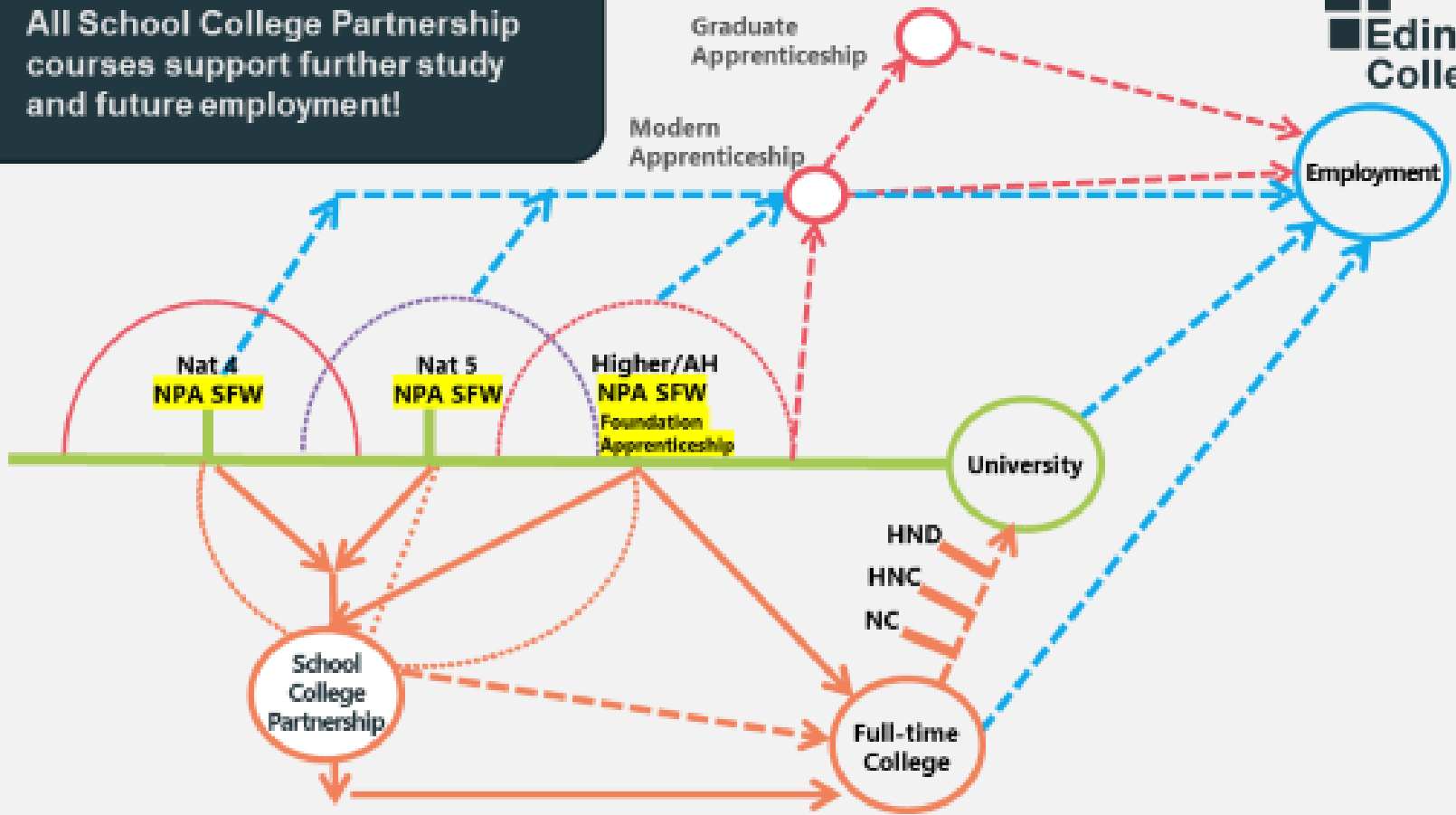
Our students come from **115 COUNTRIES,** from Afghanistan to Zambia

For the future you want

School College Partnership

- Enables S4-S6 students to gain a qualification at college whilst still at school

- Students attend college on a part-time basis, usually two afternoons a week

- Over 60 courses from 16 curriculum areas

- Course level ranges from SCQF level 1/2 to SCQF level 7 (Advanced Higher)

All School College Partnership courses support further study and future employment!

For the future you want

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Foundation Apprenticeships

[Foundation Apprenticeships at Edinburgh College - Schools Liaison Officer - Matt Quinn](#)

Post-school Curriculum Areas

Creative Industries

   Broadcast Media & Film | Music & Sound Production | Art & Design | Computing | Performing Arts Studio Scotland (PASS)

Construction, Engineering, Built Environment & Science

   Construction Trades | Electrical & Mechanical Engineering | Civil Engineering | Automotive | Renewables | Building Services | Plumbing | Electrical| Fire & Security

Health Professions & Social Care

   Health Care | Social Care | Dental | Pharmacy | Childcare | Sport & Fitness | Integrated Curriculum Studies

Tourism Hospitality & Business

   Enterprise & Commerce | Professional Cookery | Hospitality Retail & Events | ESOL | Tourism & Modern Languages

Associate Student Degrees

Formal agreement between College & University

Students dual enrolled at both institutions

Complete HNC (year 1 at College)

Complete HND (year 2 at College)

Guaranteed University Progression to year 3 of degree course

Bachelor (Hons) Degrees at Edinburgh College

- Accredited two-year Bachelor degrees with honours.

- In areas such as: Sport and Fitness, Music, and Photography.

- Entry requirements: Completion of an HND course or sufficient industry level experience.

For any Edinburgh College course-related info please visit edinburghcollege.ac.uk or email courseinfo@edinburghcollege.ac.uk

College Courses

- Schools College Partnership (SCP) Courses (see back of CC booklet and college website https://www.edinburghcollege.ac.uk/courses/for-school-pupils)

- College course applications opened on **Jan 14th 2025**

- Take place on Tue and Thurs P5/6

    (there may be an additional offer made TBC)

- In-school supervised study period

- Earn while you learn

- Achieve industry qualifications

- Range of levels from Higher level to under-graduate level

- Entry requirements typically National 5/Higher attainment

- Approx. 90 different frameworks available: IT, Care, Engineering, Paralegal, Sports, Hospitality, Creative Digital Media, Nursing, Jewellery, Project Management

- Huge range of employers involved

- Vacancies and more information at www.apprenticeships.scot

- Graduate apprenticeships offer the chance to get a degree
- Employed status, earn as you learn
- Many Scottish universities involved
- Growing list of frameworks, including: Data Security, Engineering, IT Management for Business, Software Development, Construction, Civil Engineering, etc
- 4 years
- Vacancies and more information at
  www.apprenticeships.scot/graduate

Tips for Course choice

- If you want to go to College or University **look up the entry requirements** to the course you are interested in and check for **essential subjects –** eg: law requires Higher English; Nursing Higher English and 1 science

- Think about **other subjects that could be useful** – these are not essential but may be helpful.

- **Apprenticeships and employment** require basic Maths and English and depending on the type of apprenticeship they may ask for relevant subjects (work experience will also be really important) – have a look at Apprenticeship.scot to help research.

- There is the option of **SCP (School college partnership courses) and foundation apprenticeships** –these offer options in unique areas such as costume, mechanics

- **Understand what the different qualifications mean** - A foundation apprenticeship takes 2 years and counts as a Higher Grade B , An NPA is not counted as a higher for most universities

What help is available?

- Pupils can **book an appointment** through emailing me or letting their guidance teacher know they would like an appointment. My email is: Cara.davidson@sds.co.uk

- I will also be offering a **SCP (college) application support session** On Monday the 27th of January periods 5 and 6 in the assembly hall.

- Please note SCP applications have a 6 week application window and your young person should apply within this –it is important not to leave it until the last minute!

- If they would like to attend this support session they can email me or speak with their guidance teacher so their name is added to my list

Course Choice Process

School Entry Requirements
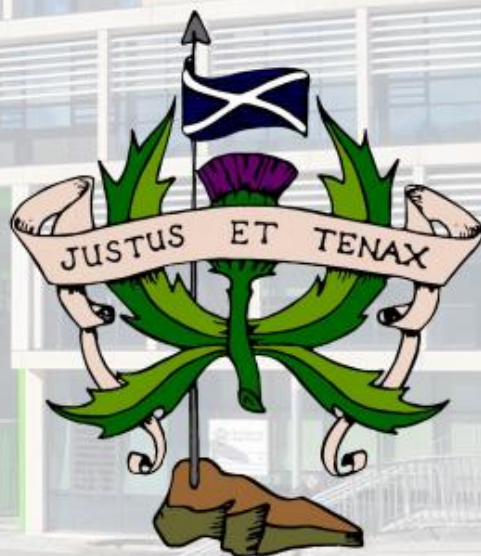
Read the Course Choice Booklet carefully

Pupils do not have automatic right of entry to courses

S5 pupils are placed first

AH courses we would advise A/B at Higher

BOROUGHMUIR HIGH SCHOOL

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INFORMATION ON S5 AND S6 COURSES
FOR PERSONALISATION & CHOICE IN THE SENIOR
SCHOOL

Key Dates & Deadlines

- Parents in-school Course Choice Information Evening Thurs 23rd January

- Progress Report (tracking & teacher comments) – issued w/b 24th Feb

- w/b Jan 27th discussions with guidance re course choice post prelim

- **Course choice pupil-Guidance teacher meetings w/b Feb 25th - 27th February**

- Course choices will be sent to pupil email addresses for parents to check

- Any further requests sent to coursechoice@boroughmuir.edin.sch.uk

Post Course Choice

- ❖ All courses require viable numbers - we will confirm courses that are running asap
- ❖ Confirmation of College places in June – with induction
- ❖ Confirmation of school courses by end of August
- ❖ Opportunity to re-course in August (inservice day)

Work Experience 2025

June 23rd -26th

- **All S5** are expected to take part if they are intending to return for S6

- Students should undertake a **self-found placement**

- Deadline is **Thursday 28 March** for forms to be back, please return ASAP

- It takes around 12 weeks for DYW to process placements and carry out Health and Safety checks

- **We cannot authorise placements which have not been checked**

Other Important dates

- 28 April – First SQA exam
- 25 April - SQA exam leave begins at 12:50
- 2 June – induction day Napier University Craiglockhart Campus
- 5 June - Awards ceremony
- 23-26 June – Work Experience
- Summer hols - receive letter from Mrs Paterson re what to do next post results (recoursing info)
- 5 August – SQA results issued
- 12 August –in-service day appointments for re-coursing
- 13 August - new term begins

Questions?