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A positive growth mindset underpins our approach to developing a learning culture where effort, resilience and learning from our mistakes are seen as the key to unlocking outstanding attainment.

Stoke Studio College has now been established for over 3 years and continues to provide a unique opportunity for young people from across North Staffordshire and beyond. Our aim is to work closely with industry partners and seek to address the growing gap between skills and knowledge that young people require to succeed. We cater for students aged 13-19 and with our partner Academies offer an impressive suite of qualifications.

We have already established ourselves as the school and college of choice for students from across Stoke-on-Trent who are creative, ambitious and passionate about becoming a skilled professional in the engineering or built environment sectors. Whether you join us in Year 9 or the Sixth Form, you will find the transition to us an easy one.

You will be joining a group of like-minded young people who appreciate the need to work as part of a team, are supportive and help each other to succeed. You will be supported by a team of highly-skilled and qualified teachers at both Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5, along with Personal Coaches who will collectively strive to bring the best out in you.

We combine the elements of a conventional school alongside a work-like environment and this winning formula has led to our students graduating onto Higher Apprenticeships with nationally renowned employers and degree courses at highly regarded universities. We are proud to provide the next generation of experts.

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

“Offers outstanding accommodation and resources, enabling students to explore high-level design issues.”

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At Stoke Studio College we encourage students to become independent, creative thinkers, who can develop solutions to problems ... experts of the future.
Students embark on a 5 year journey in Year 9, with learning aligned to the real world of work, helping them to develop the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to succeed in life, the workplace and their future careers.
The curriculum at Stoke Studio College has been developed to follow the framework introduced by the Studio Schools Trust, called CREATE. The CREATE framework and what it provides to students is outlined below.

**THE FRAMEWORK**

Key employability and life skills underpin all of the activities at a Studio School through the unique CREATE skills framework. CREATE is comprised of a wide range of skills and stands for Communication, Relating to people, Enterprise, Applied Skills, Thinking Skills and Emotional intelligence. Four years in the making, CREATE is grounded in a wide range of skill typologies and has been developed specifically for Studio Schools in order to equip young people with the key skills that they need to flourish.

**THE NEED**

Evidence consistently shows that employers are concerned about key skills gaps in the British economy. Every new survey of unfilled vacancies confirms that employers are looking for and not finding key employability skills amongst schools leavers. CREATE has been designed specifically for studio schools to equip young people with the employability and life skills that they need to succeed. For further information visit the studio schools trust website at www.studioschoolstrust.org

The five principles that underpin CREATE are:

- **ACCESSIBILITY** - a simple and easy to use structure
- **SIMPLICITY** - no jargon, just clear and simple language
- **TRANSPARENCY** - clear assessment criteria for students
- **TRANSFERABILITY** - skills exhibited in a range of settings
- **EVOLUTIONARY** - a skills framework that evolves over time

We will tailor our curriculum to the needs of students. We are able to combine A Level with BTEC options to maximise opportunities for students.
COMMUNICATION
Students can convey information and ideas so that they are received and understood by others

RELATING TO OTHERS
Students can successfully interact with others in a range of roles and situations

ENTERPRISE
Students can develop, implement and learn from ideas

APPLIED
Students understand and are able to effectively apply their skills to a variety of situations and contexts

THINKING
Students process ideas to make reasoned judgements and solve problems

EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE
Students understand and can manage their own and others’ emotions

SKILLS FOR WORK & LIFE

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Students are assigned a staff member who acts as a personal coach, nurturing them as individuals. The coaches guide, advise, support and encourage them to take ownership of their own learning goals, make the right choices and achieve their full potential.

By restricting numbers to a maximum of 300 per college, we maintain the perfect balance of class size and personal attention.
Our extensive enrichment programme is supported by Stoke-on-Trent College. It covers many areas including sports, societies, Challenge Africa and much more. The enrichment activities are a key part of the study programme and as well as being enjoyable they can be useful additions to any University application or CV.

To further enrich the programme, we have extensive links with employers who provide expert taster sessions and work placements for our students. All students benefit from the placements they attend throughout their courses.
Employers offer students exceptional opportunities to develop their knowledge and skills through high-quality work placements.

OFSTED

The concept of the Studio College is excellent, as it really does offer a good, vocational route for students.

LIONEL GRANT
MANAGING DIRECTOR

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