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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Post 16 Information and Careers Fair - Wednesday 12 October 5.00-7.00pm

I wish to invite you to attend a presentation and information session about what is offered at the UTC for Post-16 students. Our current Year 11 students are doing really well in preparation for their GCSEs and will clearly benefit in having an automatic place in our Year 12 provided they achieve 5 x A*-C including English and Maths (plus Science for Level 3 Engineering). We are currently receiving very high volumes of external students considering applying for places at UTC Sheffield, which may result in us being over-subscribed. The deadline for applications via UCAS Progress is **31 January 2017**.

The evening will provide an opportunity to outline the different technical qualification pathways and accompanying AS/A2 qualifications available for students. The new level 3 technical qualifications offer multiple size qualifications in both Engineering and Creative Digital Media. This allows the learning pathways to be tailored to either a more academic route with a further two or three AS/A2 qualifications or a more vocational route with greater time spent on the technical learning and an alternative smaller additional qualification package (particularly suited to apprenticeship entry). There will be a presentation outlining these pathways in the MPS and will begin at 6.00 pm.

Alternatively, there is a one-year Level 2 route available, for approximately 30 students. This is suited to students who need an extra year to focus on getting core GCSE's in either English, Maths or Science or a combination of the three. Alongside the study of these GCSEs, L2 students will also develop technical skills to allow progression to the workplace or onto the Level 3 pathway taking a three-year route through Post-16. There will also be an introduction to the UCAS Progress application process, which your child must complete to apply for any Post-16 place.

In addition to the presentation about the UTC, a number of other providers have been invited to have a stand in the UTC to give information about alternative pathways including: apprenticeships, University providers, Further Education providers, other Post-16 schools and representatives of the armed forces.

Yours sincerely



Alex Reynolds
Principal