



# BEAUMONT COLLEGE

## PROSPECTUS

# WELCOME TO BEAUMONT



Beaumont College is a Specialist Post-16 Designated College offering pathways for special school leavers and other students as they Prepare for Adulthood. Access to personalised intensive specialist support around the educational pathways and support for learning and assessment includes health, therapy, technology and behaviour. Our students are supported to surpass your expectations.

The Beaumont curriculum consists of six 'Pathways' to learning that are assigned based on holistic assessment and each individual PATH. Learning is session and community based and delivered in real settings.



Each student accesses an individual programme based on a combination of course choices that are tailored to meet individual needs and aspirations.

**Charlotte Liley**  
Interim Executive Principal

# STUDENT PATHWAYS

## Sensory Communication

We believe that every young person deserves the chance to connect, explore, and make an impact on the world around them. Our Sensory Communication pathway is designed to support students in developing vital sensory, exploratory, and communication skills that enhance their social interaction and independence.

Through this pathway, students gain increased engagement with a wide range of activities and people, taking meaningful steps towards intentional communication. This includes expressing preferences, making choices, and actively influencing their surroundings.

In collaboration with families and support networks, our students work toward individualised goals that promote smoother transitions into adulthood and an enriched and fulfilling quality of life. From building anticipation and curiosity to participating in daily routines, students in the Sensory Communication pathway learn to express their sensory preferences in a consistent, reliable way—empowering them for the future.





## Interactive Communication

Our Communication and Interaction pathway empowers young people to take a more active and self-initiated role in social and practical activities by building upon emerging cognitive and communication skills.

Students on this pathway are supported in building their expressive and receptive communication abilities, alongside emerging cognitive skills. With opportunities to practice these skills in various settings—both within the college and in the wider community—students engage with peers and staff to enhance their interactions.

## Skills for Independent Living

Our Skills for Independent Living pathway is designed to empower young people with the confidence and skills to lead a more independent and fulfilling life.

Through a combination of practical activities, students are prepared for the transition to independent or supported living, additional further education, employment-related opportunities, and active community participation.

This pathway equips students with essential life skills, from organisational abilities and money handling to personal safety, helping them navigate familiar routines with greater independence.

Through hands-on, practical activities, students work towards meaningful goals such as improving attention and listening, taking turns, following simple instructions, and expanding their vocabulary.

This pathway promotes purposeful participation, helping young adults gain the confidence and skills they need to thrive in everyday life.

**“...I love coming to the college and greatly impressed with all of the staff – they all speak with great passion, respect and professionalism... Could not ‘praised them enough...”**

Alongside these, students are supported in developing communication, decision-making, and social interaction skills, as well as understanding social rules and coping with change.

By building these foundational skills, students are better prepared to take control of their future and thrive in everyday life, whether at home, in the workplace, or in the community.

## Skills for Life and Work

Our Skills for Life and Work pathway prepares young people for a successful transition into adulthood, equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed for further education, vocational training, and meaningful employment or volunteering opportunities.

This pathway focuses on facilitating the shift from college to the next steps in life, fostering independence and confidence along the way. Students engage in activities designed to enhance their work and life skills, ensuring they are well-prepared for future choices and responsibilities.

Throughout their journey, students develop essential leadership and self-advocacy skills, alongside the ability to self-reflect and evaluate their progress.

They also gain experience in teamwork and employability skills, setting the foundation for a fulfilling and productive future.

## Learning Through Technology and Partnerships

Our Learning Through Technology and Partnerships pathway empowers young people to self-advocate and enhance their independence in everyday life through the use of assistive and adaptive technology solutions. Working closely with a communication partner, students gain valuable support that fosters their growth and confidence.

In this pathway, students explore a variety of specialised communication and access technology, allowing them to identify their preferred support approaches and trial equipment that best suits their needs.

By developing skills in leadership and direction within a supportive relationship, students gain greater control over their lives at home and within the community.

Additionally, this pathway provides access to tailored training and adaptive equipment, enabling students to become more independent and autonomous in their daily activities.

With the right tools and support, young people are equipped to thrive in their environments.

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## Access to Learning

Our new Access to Learning pathway is designed to help young people develop emotional resilience and tolerance, enabling them to navigate the world around them with greater confidence and reduced anxiety, ultimately enhancing their quality of life.

Students in this pathway begin their journey within a dedicated provision, where learning occurs within structured, consistent routines. As they progress, they are gently supported through phased programs that allow them to explore new learning environments tailored to their individual needs.

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This approach combines bespoke learning experiences with session-based activities, ensuring a personalised educational journey.

With the guidance of consistent core staff teams and opportunities to engage in preferred activities, students build familiarity and trust, which helps to reduce anxiety. This foundation enables them to establish positive relationships and interact with a broader circle of people, environments, and communities, setting the stage for a more connected and fulfilling life.

# ALL OUR LOCATIONS

## Access to Learning

Beaumont College in Lancaster offers both residential and day programmes.

All other sites offer education on a day provision basis.

Lancaster  
Blackpool  
Carlisle  
South Lakes  
Sussex



“...Thank you so very much for your help, [My son] has advanced so much. I am over the moon with his progress. He loves Beaumont Lancaster and all the staff... Beaumont Blackpool have made him very welcome and loves it there as well... you have all been amazing... Thanks from the bottom of my heart...”

# OUR THERAPIES

We take immense pride in offering a comprehensive range of therapeutic services designed to support the holistic well-being of our students. With a dedicated team of professionals including physiotherapists, occupational therapists, nurses, and dietician support, we prioritise the physical, emotional, and mental health needs of each individual.

Our skilled physiotherapists provide personalised assessments and treatments to enhance mobility, strength, and overall physical function. The occupational therapists work closely with students, fostering independence and facilitating engagement in meaningful activities, both within and outside the classroom.

Our experienced nursing staff ensures students' medical needs are met, providing expert guidance and support to our teams

Our dietician professionals offer invaluable advice, promoting healthy nutrition and supporting students in developing positive relationships with food.



Together, our collaborative team strives to create an environment that promotes optimal well-being, enabling our students to thrive and reach their full potential.



# STUDYING WITH US

Located approximately one mile from Lancaster City Centre, our main campus boasts seven separate living areas plus two houses within the grounds.

Life at Beaumont provides a great opportunity for students to form long lasting friendships. Each area has a dedicated team of staff who support students to keep in touch with their family, plus access facilities within the local area, Morecambe and the Lake District.

## Facilities Include:

- A restaurant that can cater for all dietary requirements
- Accessible learning resources
- Supported independent living areas
- Single occupancy bedrooms
- Opportunities to use environmental controls within living areas
- Accessible bathroom and toilet facilities
- Leisure and common room areas
- Wi-Fi accessible in all living areas
- Aid call system in all rooms

**Are you looking for a day or residential placement?**

Young people can attend Beaumont College as either a day or a residential student, with places tailored to suit the individual needs of our young people.

# STUDYING WITH US

## Day student provision

We offer day student provision at our five satellite sites in Blackpool, Carlisle, Poulton Le Fylde, Sussex and Ulverston. While at our Lancaster campus, day provision is available alongside residential accommodation.

Each of our locations offers a warm, welcoming, vibrant and friendly environment where students can learn, make friends and fulfil their potential.

## Residential student provision

For residential students, we provide living accommodation appropriate to the learners needs. Students live alongside other students in small numbers with well staffed teams of support.

We offer Monday to Friday residential, term time residential and 52 week per year residential placements. We are also able to support variances in these placements depending on the support needs of the student.

## Respite and Short Breaks

Beaumont College provides 24 hour respite seven days per week (subject to availability). We are open to commissioning from adult services as well as self-funders and people in receipt of direct payments.

You do not have to be a student at Beaumont to use our residential respite service.

Whether you are a former student who wants to continue to benefit from all Beaumont has to offer, or you have never been but just need a break and change of scenery, we can accommodate your needs.

Additionally we offer person centred activities specifically tailored to the needs of each person.

# ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Beaumont College has an excellent track record for developing best practice in the use of Assistive Technology

Through the use of Assistive Technology, students are able to access learning resources that may not otherwise be accessible to them. This can be simple modifications to a computer such as a rollerball instead of a mouse, or a keyboard with larger keys. Adaptations can also be made to the software on computers and tablets so that students' access is improved.

Assistive Technology also encompasses highly specialist devices and software such as electronic communication aids, eyegaze control, voice recognition, word prediction, switch control, door, window and curtain openers, and remote light switches.

## The Technology Team



The team support an IT Helpdesk where students can access members of the technology staff to help them resolve any IT or special access issues they may have. The technology department has 'Assistive Technologists' dedicated to making IT more accessible for students. This includes utilisation of wheelchair mounted computers and developing custom access solutions in collaboration with students and colleagues from the trans-disciplinary team.

## Social Media



Social Media plays a part in everyday life. At Beaumont we support those students who want to use it, Social Media can be useful for keeping in touch with friends and family whilst away from home.

## Bring Your Own Devices (BYOD)

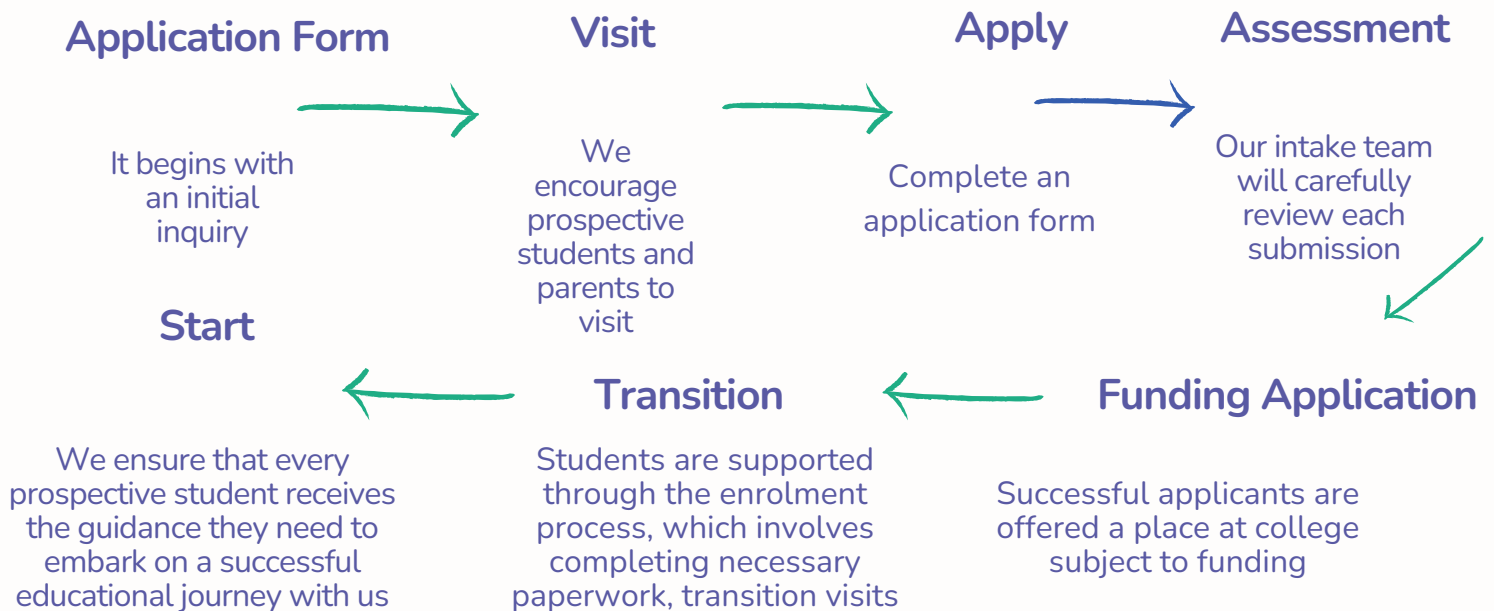


You are welcome to bring your own devices to College. Wi-fi is available across the College campus so you are able to use your own devices with the support of staff if you need it. The college Network Technicians will support you to connect phones, tablets, smart TVs, games consoles and voice assistants to Wi-Fi upon request.

Beaumont College takes part in the annual Safer Internet Day with a series of awareness raising activities and sessions.

# ADMISSIONS

The admissions process is designed to ensure that prospective students find the right pathway that meets their unique needs and aspirations.



## Next Steps

- 1 If you are interested in apply for a place at Beaumont College then contact the College Admissions Team or for a chat call 01524 541400.
- 2 Arrange an informal visit during term time to see the college in action. Visits can be organised for individuals or groups.
- 3 Please book early. We recommend applications are made twelve to eighteen months before entry although later applications are welcome.



# NOTES



## CONTACT US

Reception is open 8.30am until 4.30pm Monday - Friday  
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