**Transition to Adulthood for Visually Impaired young people.**

**Further Education.**

**Further Education includes 6th forms in school & colleges & other college courses.**

[**https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/further-education-at-16/eleven-reasons-to-choose-an-fe-college-course**](https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/further-education-at-16/eleven-reasons-to-choose-an-fe-college-course)

**It is vital to find out as much as possible about Further Education courses & to work out if they are right for you and your circumstances**

**Some things to consider:**

* **Look at college websites for details of courses and support services**
* **Ask at school if anyone is aware of the course you are interested in.**
* **Do you know anyone who has done this course before, and could you chat to them?**
* **What modes of transport could you use to get to your chosen college?**
* **How long does it take to get there?**
* **How much does the course cost?**
* **How long does the course last?**
* **On what days does the course run?**
* **What are the entry requirements for your chosen course?**
* **What qualification will you receive on completion of the course?**
* **Who might help you to apply for the course?**
* **Who might help you when they take up the course?**
* **Are there any open days for the college that you could attend**
* **How do you apply for your chosen course?**

**If you require additional support to help you learn:**

**Support is available for learning such as specialist magnifiers, readers, personal assistant etc. but the college will need to be made aware of potential needs as early as possible in your application. It is a good idea to set up a site meeting with Additional needs support team at college as early as possible. NOTE: You do not legally have to inform the college of your additional needs but they will be unable to support you with additional equipment, personal support etc. if you do not highlight your needs.**

**Guide Dogs**

**Guide Dogs have an Education Support Service who can help with issues related to education including choosing the right college. They can also help you understand your rights & entitlements at college and support you to reach your potential during your course.** [**Education Support | Guide Dogs**](https://www.guidedogs.org.uk/getting-support/information-and-advice/education-support/)