



## Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2020

### Eligibility Criteria

The closing date for the Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2020 is 5pm on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

### Apprentice Awards (Intermediate/Advanced/Higher & Special Recognition)

*Recognising Apprentices who have excelled in their learning and development and made exceptional contributions in their workplaces.*

*The Special Recognition Award is for an Apprentice who has achieved in overcoming significant challenges or barriers to learning or work.*

1. Apprentice must be registered on or have completed an Education & Skills Funding Agency funded and recognised Apprenticeship programme.
2. Apprentice must either live or work in Oxfordshire.
3. Must have completed a minimum of 9 months of their current Apprenticeship by the closing date (i.e. started their Apprenticeship on or before 13<sup>th</sup> April 2019), **or** have completed a full Apprenticeship no more than 12 months before the closing date (i.e. completed on or after 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019).
4. Apprentice cannot enter a category sponsored by their employer.
5. No age restriction.
6. Entries must be endorsed by the Apprentice's employer.

### Shining Star Award

*Recognising someone who has made outstanding progress in their career since completing their first Apprenticeship and has the potential to achieve even more.*

1. Entrant must have completed an Education & Skills Funding Agency funded and recognised Apprenticeship programme.
2. Must have completed their first Apprenticeship at least 9 months and no more than 10 years before the closing date (i.e. completed between 13<sup>th</sup> January 2009 and 13<sup>th</sup> April 2019).
3. Can be an Apprentice working towards a further Apprenticeship.
4. Must either live or work in Oxfordshire.
5. Apprentice cannot enter a category sponsored by their employer.
6. No age restriction.
7. Entries must be endorsed by an employer.



## **Apprenticeship Employer of the Year Awards (> 10 employees, > 50 employees and 50+ employees)**

*Celebrating Apprenticeship employers in Oxfordshire that have exceeded normal standards and expectations in providing a high-quality Apprenticeship experience.*

1. Number of people employed is based on total number of employees, not full-time equivalent.
2. Must have management autonomy in Oxfordshire.
3. Must employ Apprentices that work in Oxfordshire.
4. Must have employed Apprentices for at least 12 months before the closing date (i.e. from at least 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019).
5. Must be engaged in Education & Skills Funding Agency / Apprenticeship Levy funded and regulated Apprenticeship schemes, delivered by contracted and approved training providers.
6. Entries must be endorsed by an existing or recent Apprentice and a training provider.

## **School Award**

*Recognising an Oxfordshire secondary school that makes a significant contribution to promoting Apprenticeships to students as a viable and credible post-16 option, as part of a wide ranging and inclusive careers programme.*

1. Will be chosen by the sponsor from Oxfordshire secondary schools that are engaged in the Careers & Enterprise Company Enterprise Adviser Network.

## **Apprenticeship Ambassador Award**

*Celebrating the role of one of Oxfordshire's Apprenticeship Ambassadors in promoting Apprenticeships in Oxfordshire and being a positive role model.*

1. Will be chosen by the sponsor from existing Apprenticeship Ambassadors or those who have been Ambassadors in the 12 month period leading up to the closing date (i.e. from 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019).

## **Oxfordshire Apprentice of the Year**

*Celebrating the Apprentice who has reached the highest levels of excellence and achievement.*

1. Will be chosen by the Headline Sponsor with support from the Awards Committee from the winners of the four **Apprentice Awards** categories.