We are delighted that you’ve taken the first step to entering the Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards! There are a few questions to complete, which shouldn’t take too long and it’s well worth the effort.

**School Award prizes**

The School Award is sponsored by Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. They will award the following unique experiences as prizes to the winning schools:

* **School Award winner prize:** bespoke visit for a small group of students who are interested in a career with the NHS to visit some departments, opportunity to talk to some Health Care Professionals and Managers in OUH hospitals.
* **Two highly commended prizes:** careers in health workshop run in their school with opportunity to meet Apprentices.

**ENTRY INFORMATION**

* Must be a school based in Oxfordshire.
* Open to any secondary school including academies, free schools (including UTC and studio schools), faith schools and independent/private schools.
* The school promotes Apprenticeships to students and their parents/guardians as a viable and credible post-16 option, as part of a wide ranging and inclusive careers programme.
* We are asking for a short statement to support your entry. This could be from your Enterprise Adviser, Chair of Governors or Lead Governor for Careers.

**THE JUDGES WILL BE LOOKING FOR EVIDENCE OF:**

1. Positively promoting Apprenticeships within school across all year groups and with students of all abilities (and parents/guardians), ensuring and evidencing high impact on all students. Evidence could include % of students progressing into Apprenticeships, advice/support provided for students with additional needs
2. Strong Enterprise Adviser, employer and further education/training provider engagement and evidence of embedding sustainable relationships. How does the relationship with the business community support access to information about - and progression of students into - Apprenticeship opportunities?
3. Use of Compass / Tracker to ensure progress against all Gatsby Benchmarks and raising awareness of progress/requirements across the whole school
4. Progression of the Gatsby Benchmarks 5 (encounters with employers) & 6 (experience of workplaces) against previous year and future plans to achieve the Benchmarks
5. Senior Leadership Team engagement – evidence of increase in whole school approach, how careers education is embedded in the school improvement plan, ethos and culture in school
6. ‘Leading the way’ with a variety of meaningful and high quality employability interventions – evidence of innovation and impact on students
7. Strong use of school Career Lead and time deployed
8. **About the school**

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| School name |  |
| School type |  |
| Contact name |  |
| Job role |  |
| Address |  |
| Postcode |  |
| Contact number |  |
| Email address |  |

1. **Please summarise how your school supports the promotion of Apprenticeships to students and describe the impact of this activity in terms of numbers/proportion of students progressing into Apprenticeships after leaving school** *max. 300 words*

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1. **Tell us about your links with employers and the business community and how that supports the access to information about - and progression of students into - Apprenticeship vacancies** *max. 350 words*

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1. **How do you work with providers of Apprenticeship training (i.e. FE colleges and independent training providers) to give students access to information about local opportunities and Apprenticeship training requirements?** *max. 350 words*

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1. **Please describe any other ways in which you feel your school demonstrates a commitment to Apprenticeships** *max. 250 words*

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**Please feel free to enclose any additional information such as pictures, press cuttings, graphs, figures, promotional material and awards that help to support your application and showcase your school**

*(please limit this additional material to no more than 4 pages of A4).*

**Supporting statement**

**Please provide a statement to support your entry. This could be from your Enterprise Adviser, Chair of Governors or Lead Governor for Careers.**

**1. Statement** *max. 250 words*

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| Name |  |
| Relationship to school |  |

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| **Tell us why this school deserves to win:** |

**Nominations must be completed in full and submitted by email to** **skills@oxfordshirelep.com** **by MIDNIGHT on Monday 13th January 2020.**

If you are unsure whether you are eligible to enter, please contact us at skills@oxfordshirelep.com to discuss.

Please note: the information you provide will be used for the process of judging the Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards and to contact you in connection with the awards.

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