



Examinations

If necessary, examinations can be carried out in private rooms. The invigilator will be a known person to you; this provides continuity and familiarity which we hope eases any tensions and anxieties that may occur at this stressful time. Modified papers may be available on assessment depending on the level of the your specific requirements.

Other special facilities to make sure you have an equal chance as other students will be negotiated with the exam boards.

Counselling

The College offers a counselling service with a role to provide help and guidance to overcome any problems and difficulties that may occur throughout the academic year.

Progression

We will help you to consider your next move forward. We provide:

- Accompanied careers interviews
- Accompanied visits to Universities / other institutions
- Help with applying for the DSA (disabled students allowance)
- Contact with disability officers at future establishments
- 'Progression Statement' which explains the level of support received, to help in planning for your future.



Negotiate Change

You have the opportunity to negotiate change. You may choose to join the 'Torch Bearers' Equality Focus group.

To join contact learnalert@blackpoolsixth.ac.uk

If you have any further queries about the support we offer at The Blackpool Sixth Form College, please do not hesitate to contact us:



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Information on Hearing Impairment

Supporting students with
Learning Difficulties
& Disabilities

Additional Support

The Blackpool Sixth Form College promotes equality of opportunity for the development of individual potential regardless of individual differences and disability.

A student who is deaf or Hearing impaired has the equal right to a provision which meets his / her individual needs.

Support

All support is specific to each individual, and before you start at college, meetings are held with you to establish your individual needs and preferences, so that provisions can be in place as soon as possible. One to one meetings continue weekly or monthly to check that you are happy in College and progressing well.

IT Facilities

We have excellent IT facilities available, including the use of laptop computers to facilitate e-mail communication between the you and tutors, for the provision and exchange of essays, messages etc. All students and College staff are available by email.

Systems

Some classrooms, public halls and reception areas are fitted with loop T-systems, and others with soundfield systems.

We understand that other provision may be necessary and would pledge to work with you to identify what systems are required.

Lessons

The sorts of support you may be able to receive in order for you to access your learning may be:

- a communicator in BSL / SSE
- a note taker
- the use of agreed rooms
- transcripts of DVDs
- use of radio aid
- a laptop computer

You will be given the option of the provision of a vibrating personal fire alarm. Some classrooms and public areas are fitted with loop T-systems.

Lunch

Dedicated staff and students run a 'friendly' table throughout the lunch period. There are also buddy mentors who are students who you can meet up with to introduce you to new friends and help you to settle in.

Recreational / Enrichment Activities

You are encouraged to try a variety of recreational / enrichment activities in order to enjoy every aspect of College life. A recreation / enrichment activity is compulsory for all Lower Sixth students.

Negotiation would take place between the tutor of the chosen recreation, and the Additional Support Coordinator to ensure the activity can take place safely.

Independence Skills

If necessary, part of your Learning Agreement could involve developing independence skills including shopping, travelling and money management.

Support is reviewed:

- At the end of the Autumn Term
- At the end of each year

to ensure the service continues to be successful.

If you need this information presented in a different way please contact:

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