

30th December 2020

Dear Students and Parent/Carers,

Open as usual 4th January 2021 – Creative & Service Industries Faculty, Alternative Provision & Adult Learners

I hope you have all had an enjoyable and restful Christmas break and as promised, I write to you with news regarding our return to learning from January 4th, 2021. You may have seen in the news that the government has announced a staggered return for secondary schools and FE colleges at the start of next term. However, in line with the DfE Guidance, this does not apply to us in our Nacro Further Education Centres or Totton College and we will be open for business as usual from the 4th January, alongside most primary schools and some specialist providers. All our students have assessments to complete their studies this year and therefore we very much encourage you to attend from this date. Our BTEC external assessments will continue as normal next week.

Please be mindful that you must **NOT** attend if you or a household member have any Covid-19 symptoms. If you are unsure, please get a test immediately or speak to our staff in the first instance to get advice.

As we are a not-for-profit training provider in our Centres and at Totton College, we are not yet subject to the arrangements for on-site testing due to our smaller numbers and status. We await further guidance from DfE and the Education and Skills Agency on this matter and will keep you informed. All other measures including handwashing, wearing of masks and social distancing will apply and students will be reminded of these measures at our settings.

Please note that these plans are based on current advice and may be subject to change pending further government announcements that affect our provision. We will be keeping our arrangements under review. Should we need to move to a full or partial remote delivery option, we will inform you and share proposed arrangements as soon as possible.

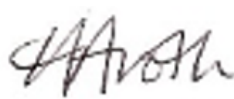
If you need further information or wish to contact us, please use the email address below in the first instance as this is being monitored.

Yours sincerely



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