



# Moving Up your future choices

**Did you know that soon all young people will be in education or training until they are 18?**

## **What does this mean for me?**

- If you are currently in Year 10 you will stay in education or training until you are at least 17
- If you are in Year 9 you will stay in education or training until you are at least 18.

## Does this mean staying at school until I'm 18?

Not necessarily, although lots of you will choose to stay on. After Year 11 you will be able to choose one of the following options:

- Full-time education, such as school or college
- Work-based learning, such as an Apprenticeship
- Part-time education or training if you are employed, self employed or volunteering for more than 20 hours a week

You will have the choice of lots of different qualifications including A levels, more GCSEs, Apprenticeships and vocational courses.

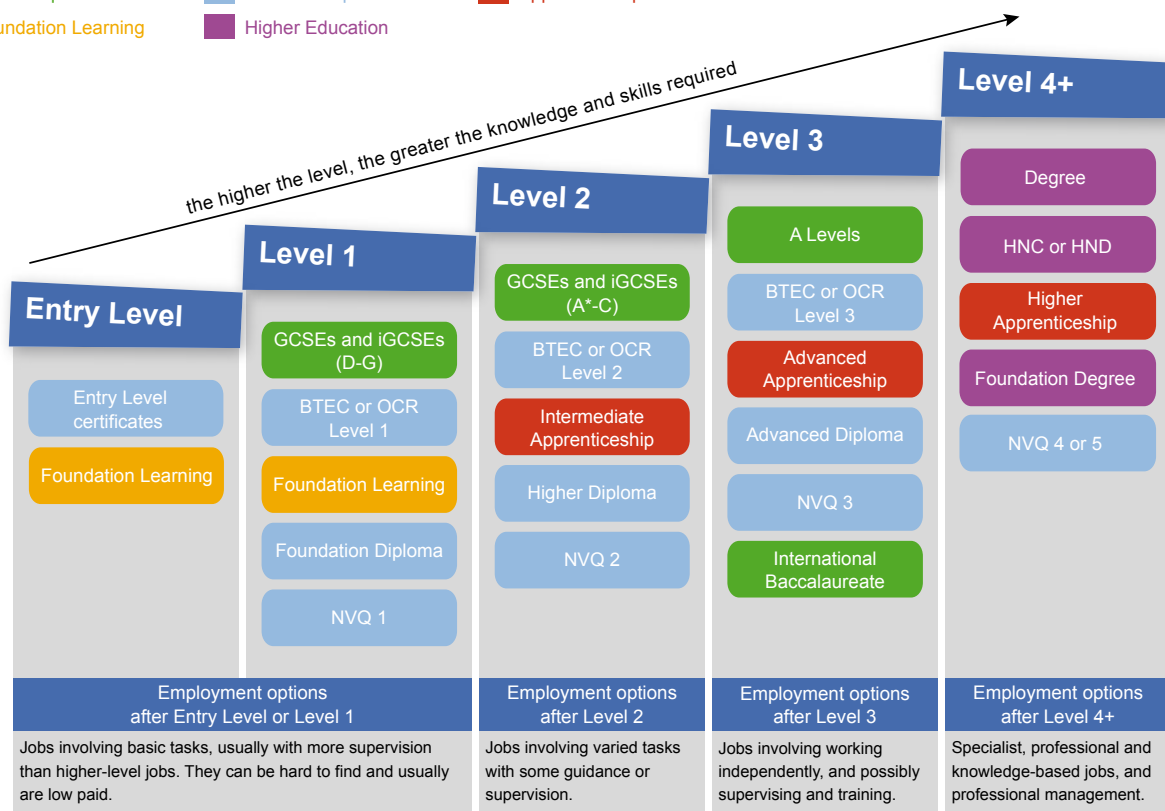
## What do I need to do now?

You should start thinking about the career you want in the future – what type of learning or training you need to do in Years 10, 11 and post-16, to get you where you want to be in the future.

**To give you an idea of qualifications available at different levels take a look at the diagram below...**

## Learning Options @ 14-19

**Key:** ■ General qualifications ■ Vocational qualifications ■ Apprenticeships  
■ Foundation Learning ■ Higher Education



For more information about these options, go to **[www.helpyouchoose.org](http://www.helpyouchoose.org)** Norfolk's careers information and advice website for 14-19 year olds.



## Why is the law changing?

It's changing because the world of work is changing. New jobs are being created and many will be more complicated and demanding. Therefore, employers will be looking for people with more skills, training and qualifications.

The more training and qualifications you have, the better your chances of getting and keeping a good job that you enjoy in the future. In fact, many young people don't stop learning at 18 and carry on into higher education at university or college or in employment with training to improve their chances even further.

## What if I don't know what I want to do after Year 11?

Don't worry – there's plenty of time to make your mind up and there will be lots of people and information around to help you. If you're not sure what you want to do then the best thing is to:

- Talk to your parents or carers, or to your careers teacher, teachers or tutor – there are lots of people who can advise you about the right path for you
- Keep your options open in your subjects and work as hard as you can to get the highest grades you can achieve.

Whatever you do in Years 10 and 11, you will continue to develop the English, maths, science, ICT and other knowledge and skills you will need to be able to progress in learning and to get a job in the future.





# For more information go to...

**[www.helpyouchoose.org](http://www.helpyouchoose.org)**

Norfolk's careers information and advice website  
for 14-19 year olds

**[www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)**

visit the Education and Learning pages for more  
information about your choices in years 9 and 11

**<https://nextstep.direct.gov.uk>**

for job and careers information

**[www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk)**

for information about Apprenticeships

To speak to a Careers Adviser call freephone  
**0800 100 900**. Advisers are available from  
8am-10pm seven days a week

