

Dear future student

Firstly myself and fellow students would like to welcome you to your next journey of learning. So you've decided to take the big step and apply to West Nottinghamshire College, this may be a very daunting time for you whichever walk of life you may come from.

I'm a mature student currently studying Hairdressing Level 2, and I can say I was nervous for many reasons, being a mature student I thought I was going to be with students straight from school but I was wrong. We have a mixture of ages and even if they were all the same age we are all there to learn the same thing and get the same qualification so there is nothing to be nervous about.

West Nottinghamshire College has a depth of character, traditions and diversities which they are committed to helping all students to academic excellence.

The staff members are excellent and want you to do your very best, but also if you find you're struggling with anything you can speak to any member of staff and they can point you in the right direction of who you need to speak to.

When you have filled in the form it will go to the admissions team, then you'll get a chance to meet the tutor - usually it will be the person teaching you for your course, make sure you bring along any exam results you have this will help the tutors in deciding if this is the right level for you. If you're 16 – 18 you will have to complete your maths and English alongside of your main course if you are not already exempt.

After meeting the tutor you will get a letter offering you a place on the course this will also contain information for a summer school (don't worry its usually on one day in the holidays and its more of a taster session of what is coming on your course).

The hairdressing course is fun-filled, you learn a lot of new things along the way, but as well as practical you will be doing theory alongside you will also get a chance to extend your learning by completing sessions in the commercial salon alongside a tutor and customers coming in for different treatments.

There will also be competitions to take part in winning different things we had a colour competition and a student got chance to win a Cloud Nine hairdryer!

There are also trips you get chance to go on. We went to a hair and beauty supplier in the local area we got a chance to sign up to be a member so you can get discount on products and when you have a full qualification your options to buying products expand more. We have guest speakers coming in showing new lines of products they sell.

Over all your experience at the college will be a fun, amazing journey, but even if you decide this isn't the course for you, you can always speak to a member of staff and you have a chance to speak about what would be best for you, and if a different course is better, you can choose something else. College don't want you coming out with nothing so they try their hardest to help you with what you need.

Hope this letter helps your decision in finding your way are they rightful course for you.

Lionie