



Tips for parents WAYS TO SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER

If your son or daughter is interested in starting work and they want to gain qualifications, then an apprenticeship could be the right path for them. Here are some ways you could help them.

REGISTER ON FIND AN APPRENTICESHIP

This is a live jobs website that gets updated daily. You can set up email and text alerts to be sent to your phone when new jobs have been added. It's completely free of charge and very simple to use.

USE YOUR SOCIAL NETWORKS

Ask your family and friends if they can help. For example, do the companies that they work for offer apprenticeships? Could they help set up a work experience opportunity? You'll be amazed at the offers of support that will come to you.

CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL

Schools are a great source of support and information. Let them know that your child wants to apply for an apprenticeship and that you support this decision. Ask them how they could offer support and access to impartial careers advice.

OPEN DAYS AND APPRENTICESHIP EVENTS

Many employers offer open days where parents and potential apprentices can visit, meet the team and take a look behind-the-scenes. There are also local and national events like the Skills Shows and National Apprenticeship Week.

USE YOUR PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

You can help your son or daughter to prepare for their apprenticeship interview by practicing the types of questions the employer might ask and rehearsing their answers. Help them to research the organisation by looking on their website.

TRAVEL PLANS

If your child is invited to an interview, ensure that they respond to the employer confirming their attendance and that they have planned their travel on the day – including allowing extra time for public transport delays and problems.

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