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**For the attention of:
Parents / Carers of children
in Year 9 of Surrey secondary schools**

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Dear Parent/Carer

University Technical Colleges (UTCs) and Studio Schools

The Government has recently asked all local authorities to write to parents and carers of children in Year 9 to tell them about University Technical Colleges (UTCs) and studio schools which are within a reasonable travelling distance of the local authority area. We have therefore asked your child's school to share this letter with you.

UTCs and studio schools admit children at the beginning of Year 10. The Government wishes to ensure that parents and carers are well informed about all the options available for children of this age.

Most children do not transfer from secondary school to a UTC or studio school. For the great majority of children, the school that they are already attending will remain the most appropriate place for them to continue their education. If you want your child to stay at their current secondary school and you are not interested in a possible transfer please disregard this letter. There is no need to contact us about this. If however you are interested in a possible transfer please read on.

UTCs are set up by universities and businesses and specialise in one or two technical subjects. In Years 10 and 11 they offer a similar GCSE curriculum to a typical secondary school, including English and Maths, as well as their specialist subject. You can find out more about UTCs at www.utcolleges.org/utcs.

Studio schools are similar to UTCs in that they have employer involvement in the curriculum and focus on developing skills needed for employment, involving personal coaching and work experience. They have a similar curriculum to a typical secondary school. You can find out more about studio schools at www.studioschoolstrust.org.

There are not currently any UTCs or studio schools in Surrey. However details of the UTCs and studio schools in other local authority areas that may be a reasonable travelling distance for some Surrey residents and their contact details are set out overleaf. More information on the number of places available at each school, the admissions policy and how to apply can be found from each school's website.

I hope this information is helpful to you.

Yours faithfully

Surrey School Admissions team

List of UTCs and studio schools in areas surrounding Surrey

East Sussex

UTC@harbourside
Railway Quay, Newhaven, East Sussex, BN9 0DF
01273 916170

www.utc-harbourside.org

How to apply – direct to the school

Hillingdon

De Salis Studio College
Wood End Green Road, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 2SE
0208 573 2097

www.desalisstudiocollege.co.uk

How to apply – direct to the local authority where you live

Global Academy UTC
The Old Vinyl Factory, Blyth Road, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 1HA
0203 019 9001

www.globalacademy.com

How to apply - direct to the local authority where you live

Parkside Studio College
Wood End Green Road, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 2SE
0208 573 2097

www.parksidestudiocollege.co.uk

How to apply – direct to the local authority where you live

Hounslow

Logic Studio School
Browells Lane, Feltham, TW13 7EF
0208 831 3001

www.logicstudioschool.org

How to apply – direct to the school

Space Studio West London
Letchworth Avenue, Feltham, Middlesex, TW14 9RY
0203 696 8140

www.spacestudiowestlondon.org

How to apply – direct to the school

Reading

UTC Reading
Crescent Road, Reading, RG1 5RQ
0118 938 1020

www.utcreading.co.uk

How to apply – direct to the school