



## Beacon Hill@TyneMet Admissions Policy

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This policy should be read with the existing whole school policy. This means that the Local Authority is the admissions authority for the school. These processes aim to ensure that only students whose needs can be met at Beaconhill@TyneMet are offered places.

1. Beaconhill@Tynemet aims to meet the needs of Post 16 students with moderate, severe and profound and multiple learning difficulties.
2. All such students are welcome to visit the college with their parents and any supporters such as Connexions. Requests for such visits are to be arranged with Justina Duggan Head of Department on 290 0704.
3. Open Days will be arranged for this purpose and parents and students are encouraged to attend these.
  - Pupils currently attending Beacon Hill School will discuss their post 16 choices at their review.
4. Students, or their representatives, from other Schools and local authorities who, following a visit, wish to attend Beacon Hill@Tynemet must first contact the school and speak to Helen Jones 643 3000. In exceptional circumstances a taster day or week will be possible for these young people but this must not be taken to mean that a place is available. These students and their representatives are advised to keep their Local Authority fully advised of these discussions.
5. Students must then formally apply to their Local Authority for a place through their statement system and their Local Authority will apply to North Tyneside Local Authority. North Tyneside will then formally send papers to Beacon Hill and the headteacher will make a decision about whether on the evidence available the students needs can be met.
6. Once it has been agreed that a student will attend Beaconhill@Tynemet a detailed transition programme will be agreed for them. This will depend on their needs and may involve any of the following
  - Attending for a day a week for the whole of year 11.
  - A joint residential with 6<sup>th</sup> form students.
  - Attending joint events with 6<sup>th</sup> form.
  - Spending a full week at college.
  - Spending a week in college one day at a time eg a Monday one week, Tuesday the next etc.