

Remote education statement

Craven College is committed to providing an excellent education to all its students. It aims to maintain as normal a timetable as possible in line with current public health guidance. The safety of our students and staff remains our number one priority. Our approach is therefore to provide a blended model of teaching, learning and assessment with a mix of remote and onsite delivery.

Students prioritised for onsite delivery include those on level 1 programmes and below, vulnerable and at risk students, SEND students and/or those unable to study from home. Where this is not possible due to self-isolation or during a national lockdown, each student will be contacted and supported in their learning as appropriate with work books and/or online learning.

Practical sessions requiring specialist equipment and/or facilities continue to be delivered on site in accordance with our risk assessments. These sessions are consolidated to one day where possible to take into account the rural nature of our students and the distances that they travel. In the event of a national lockdown, the College adapts the learning and assessment as directed by the awarding organisations.

Arrangements are in place to ensure that further education students without access to technology (devices and/or internet connectivity) are supplied with the necessary equipment to participate in online education with priority given to those in receipt of a bursary.

Remote learning involves a variety of methods such as Moodle, Microsoft Teams and learning work packs as appropriate to the level of the programme and the student.

Online lessons are delivered live through MS Teams to allow the teacher to replicate normal classroom activity whether students are accessing lessons remotely from home, remotely from the LRC or onsite in the classroom. Online lessons take place at the usual timetabled slot and consist of a range of activities such as teacher delivery, independent and group work. Just as in normal lessons, teachers are not expected to present continuously for the full duration of the lesson. Student work and assessments are submitted to teacher via Moodle, Teams or other methods as outlined by the teacher with feedback provided as normal.

Pastoral and learning support is also accessed via MS Teams with a full range of services available by Student Services whether students are on site or studying remotely.

SEND students are prioritised to attend college for their education. Where this is not possible due to a national lockdown or self-isolation, learning will still take place through MS Teams or via learning work packs supported by the teacher and support assistants.

Apprentices

Apprentices who attend college will continue to follow their timetable as per the 16-19 cohort, accessing theory lessons remotely and practical sessions on site in line with public health guidance. Apprentices will be supported in the workplace through regular contact with their tutors and LDAs. In the event of a national lockdown, remote learning and assessment will be used.

Adult students

Learning for discrete adult student groups is through a blended learning approach with the use of MS Teams where this appropriate. Theory lessons are delivered through MS Teams or learning work packs as appropriate to the type of programmes. Practical sessions continue to be delivered on site in accordance with our risk assessments and in line with public health guidance.

Students are also being supported with devices and internet connectivity through learner support funds.

Student expectations

- Students are expected to attend all sessions on time at their normal timetabled slot, irrespective of the type of delivery taking place (remote or on site)
- A register will be taken at the start of the lesson as normal
- You should participate fully in the lesson and undertake any activities as directed by the teacher
- You should complete any work set and submit work for marking
- Your contributions are valued through either voice or chat functions but please do not misuse these.
- Our College behaviours still apply when attending lessons on an online platform so please be respectful of others.
- Your online lessons will replicate a normal classroom as much as possible so your teacher will not be presenting all the time. There will be group work and activities to do on your own so that you can consolidate your learning and demonstrate your knowledge and understanding.