



29th June 2022

Dear Parent/ Carer

Deaf Aspirations event at Castleford Academy, on Wednesday 8th March 2023, from 4:30pm - 8pm.

As you are aware Deaf students (both native sign language users and oral Deaf students) can face many barriers when accessing higher education and employment, so this event will provide presentations and information from:

- * Deaf role models from various professions
- * Representatives from national and local employers
- * Job centre Plus / Department of Work and Pensions (Access to Work)
- * Stalls with representation from national Deaf charities and organisations
- * Local Universities and colleges

The aim of the event is to motivate and inspire young Deaf people to achieve their full potential and meet Deaf people who have excelled in their chosen careers. It will also be an opportunity to find out about the support available to young deaf people when applying for jobs and when in work. Parents and carers are particularly welcome to come and take inspiration from the life experiences of successful Deaf adults who are working in a wide variety of roles and settings.

We will have a team of interpreters and bilingual staff in attendance who will ensure that the event is fully accessible to all attendees. A light buffet and refreshments will be provided. If you are interested in your staff, pupils and their parents attending please contact sbristoll@castlefordacademy.com. Tickets to this event will be free but are limited, so please make sure to reply as soon as possible to reserve them.

Kind regards,

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