

NEWS

POST-16 SECTOR

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FURTHER EDUCATION AND APPRENTICESHIP AMBASSADORS SCHEME

The Coleg Cymraeg is looking for ambassadors to help promote bilingual skills within the Further Education Colleges and the apprenticeship sector. The aim is to appoint up to three learners in each College to take on the role of Ambassador of the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol for the academic year 2019/2020. The ambassadors will need to be enthusiastic about the Welsh language and be willing to work together to inspire their peers in the post-16 sector.

At least one of the ambassadors will be required to be studying in the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol's priority areas of Health and Care, Childcare or Public Services. The scheme was officially launched by the Minister for Welsh and International Relations, Eluned Morgan, at this year's National Eisteddfod.

How to get involved?

If any learner is interested in being part of this scheme, please contact the Bilingual Champion within your College or with your apprenticeship provider for more information.

WORK WELSH SCHEME

The Work Welsh scheme for the apprenticeships sector is an exciting new free scheme for apprenticeship providers and apprentices to learn or improve their Welsh language skills. The scheme will offer training for assessors / mentors and apprentices alike to learn Welsh and develop their use of it in the workplace. People Plus has already taken advantage of the project and sees value in assessing and developing the language skills of their staff.

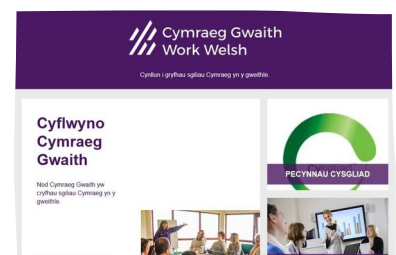
What support is available?

Step One: All assessors / mentors or apprentices who are considering participating in the scheme will start by completing the 'Level Checker' which will identify their level of Welsh language skills through an online programme.

Step Two: Agree a programme of free support between the apprenticeship provider and the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol. This scheme is a partnership between the National Centre for Learning Welsh and the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol.

How to get involved?

Several apprenticeship providers / companies have already expressed interest in the scheme. If you would like more details or arrange a meeting with your provider's managers, please contact Adam Jones: a.jones@colegcymraeg.ac.uk



NEW HEALTH CARE AND LANGUAGE AWARENESS RESOURCES

A new language awareness resource for the apprenticeship sector is ready for use. <http://colegcymraeg.ac.uk/prentis-iaith>
Health and Care resources commissioned by the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol will be openly available from the 23 September onwards. <http://colegcymraeg.ac.uk/adnoddiechydagofal>

Ymwybyddiaeth iaith mewn Iechyd a Gofal
Language awareness in Health and Care

7.1 Pwysigrwydd cyfathrebu effeithiol

7.1 The importance of effective communication



ESTABLISHING A STRATEGIC BOARD FOR THE POST-16 SECTOR

The Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol's Board of Directors has decided to establish a post-16 strategic board within the Coleg's governance structure following the extension of the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol's responsibilities to include the Further Education and Apprenticeship sectors.

The new board will be chaired by Meri Huws, one of the Coleg's directors.

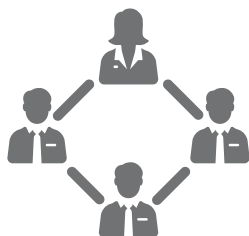
All further education institutions and apprenticeship providers along with other key partners will be invited to be represented on the new board which will meet for the first time in the Autumn.

OVER £130,000 INVESTED TO DEVELOP WELSH-MEDIUM AND BILINGUAL PROVISION

Following a competitive process to apply for Post-16 Sector Development Grants to expand Welsh-medium or bilingual provision, the Coleg is pleased to announce that we have invested over £130,000 to develop provision in the fields of Health and Care, Childcare and Public Services. A total of six grants have been awarded and we look forward to seeing the plans develop.



SUPPORTING WITH PROVIDERS

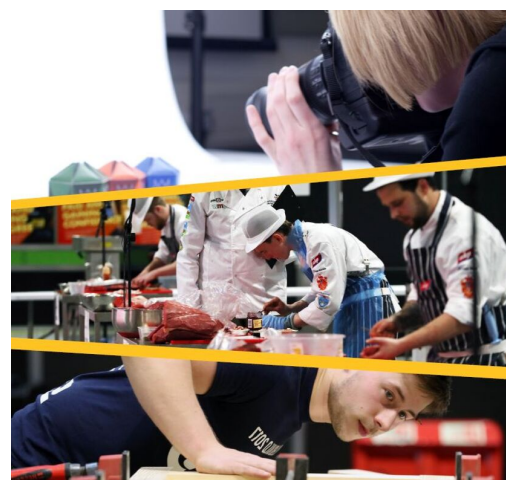


The Coleg has worked with a number of partners in recent months to raise awareness of the Further Education and Apprenticeships Welsh-medium Action Plan. Successful sessions were delivered at the ColegauCymru annual conference and the NTFW conference. Alongside this, we have discussed joint working on specific schemes with Welsh Water, S4C and Skills Cymru. Come and see us at Cardiff and Llandudno Skills Cymru where we'll be sharing the advantages of studying through the medium of Welsh.

BECOME A MEMBER OF THE COLEG CYMRAEG CENEDLAETHOL

The Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol membership system allows anyone interested in the work of the Coleg to become a member of the Coleg. Membership provides individuals with information on the Coleg's activities and developments, along with details of opportunities arising from the Coleg's plans.

<http://colegcymraeg.ac.uk/membership>



Dates for the Diary

9-10 October – Skills Cymru, Motorpoint Arena Cardiff
16-17 October – Skills Cymru, Venue Cymru, Llandudno
24 October – Apprentice Wales Awards
5 November – First Post-16 Strategic Board Meeting
21-23 November – World Skills, Birmingham

If you have any questions, comments or ideas you'd like to discuss, please contact:

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