

# ***FUTURE FIRST 2009***

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I would really appreciate it if you could use the text below, or your own derivation of it, to provide advanced warning to pupils, parents and staff of the above careers event.

Please use it as you think appropriate in school newsletters, school magazines, e-mails, parents' evenings, staff bulletins and on school websites etc. In other words, please use what ever means open to you to distribute this information.

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**For all pupils in Year 9 and Year 11, their parents/carers, and staff.**

Please make a date in your diary to attend the area's flagship Diploma and Careers Information Event, ***FUTURE FIRST 2009***, taking place on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October between 4.30pm and 8.30pm at the Weston Auditorium, De Havilland Campus, University of Hertfordshire.

There will be representatives present from a wide variety of local and national organisations and businesses, available to talk with you about career opportunities in their sector. You can find out about qualifications available to you e.g. Diplomas, Apprenticeships, NVQs, school and college-based GCSEs, AS, A Levels, BTECs, and Degrees. Employers from across the area will be there to inform and answer questions about the necessary skills, qualifications, personal qualities and work experience valued by their sectors. In the long term, this will help you be better prepared to make career choices when the time comes. More immediately it will help you decide on the subject choices you will be making over the next two or three years.

If you think you might like to talk to someone to help you make sense of the information you will receive that evening then independent Personal Advisers from the Youth Connexions Service will be available, as well as representatives from schools, Oaklands College and the University of Hertfordshire.

During the event you will also be able to attend a presentation by **Rod Kenyon OBE** (Director of the Apprenticeship Ambassadors Network and Semta, the 14-19 Diploma Champion for Employers), have the opportunity to be updated on the new Diplomas within the St Albans and Harpenden area, and witness **Billy Wingrove** perform live!

There is no charge for attending this event.

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Please put it in your diary now!

Should you wish to find out any more information before the event please e-mail [info@learner-first.co.uk](mailto:info@learner-first.co.uk) or visit [www.learner-first.co.uk](http://www.learner-first.co.uk).