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# Project SEARCH at Rotherham Opportunities College, (The ROC)

*Our College aims to help young people with SEND find their place in the community, be as independent as possible, find employment and lead healthy lives.*

## Key Concepts

Project SEARCH is a transition to work programme for students with learning disabilities and autism spectrum conditions, aimed at those motivated to achieve competitive employment.

The programme is evidence based and includes total workplace immersion at its very best, facilitating a seamless combination of classroom instruction, career exploration, and hands-on skills training in the workplace.

## How it Works

- One year supported internship training programme
- Rotate through three different areas and skills
- Classroom sessions to improve Maths & English.

## Eligibility Guidelines

- For the internship age of 18—24 years with an EHCP
- Have the ability to take directions
- The willingness to use public transport as travel training is provided


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## Education and Life Skills at the College




Learning life skills at the college is very important. Our interns had the opportunity to meet the Police as part of the course about the Emergency Service. ROC, Project SEARCH interns completed an accredited First Aid course. The session involved the interns participating in the theory side as well as the practical side to the course. The practical demonstrations included carrying out CPR and practicing how to use the Defibrillator. By the end of the course, all interns stated that they felt confident carrying out First Aid when in the workplace and when working with the public if required. Other courses also performed are, Manual Handling in the workplace, Cyber Bullying, Safeguarding and Personal Safety online and in the community.





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NEXT Warehouse & Distribution, Doncaster.

One of the most advanced logistics operations in Europe.

Interns will learn skills in the warehouse  
& logistics industry.



Improved their educational experience, i.e. literacy and numeracy.

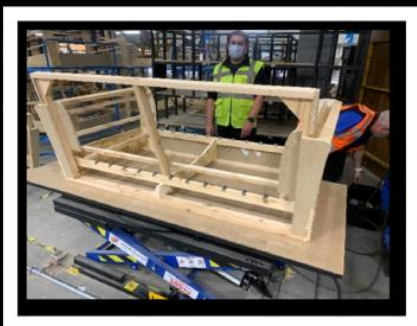
This is what they had to say while working at **NEXT**:

**"So far I've enjoyed working here. Learnt new things."**

A - Nov 2019

**"I would like to earn money so that I can support my parents."**

K - Nov 2019



**"Am so very grateful for all your help and support and it's the best opportunity that could come my way. I highly recommend anyone doing these internships because there is always an opportunity that may come along to us."**

H - Oct' 2020

**H was offered a job and worked full time at NEXT as a Trainee Frame Fitter.**





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**Transport will be provided from The ROC to Doncaster and back, as this may be a concern for some interns getting to NEXT.**

**Are you ready to take part and be in our next Project SEARCH cohort? For more information and enrolment contact:**

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