

FACTSHEET

JET (Job, Education & Training) Academy

The JET Academy is a work-based learning programme for S4-S6 school pupils which combines school education with vocational training and work experience. It is the Edinburgh model for the implementation of Developing the Young Workforce National Work Placements Standards.

JET Regular

Pupils on JET Regular undertake a full day's work experience every Friday during term time from August to April, in addition to following their school timetable. Pupils also learn employability skills and work towards a nationally recognised qualification in employability.

JET +

JET+ is for winter leavers focusing on gaining practical experience four days per week from August to December. There is an opportunity to gain a Certificate of Work Readiness.

JET Flex

JET Flex placements are tailor-made to pupils as part of a bespoke educational package – other elements

of the package are school, college and additional training.

How can I support the JET Academy?

Can you offer a meaningful work placement that is progressive and challenging? This can help to improve career choices, inspire young people to work for you and secure talent flow. By providing regular feedback to the JET Academy staff and the young person, you will help to develop and shape the attitudes, skills and knowledge that a young person needs to enter the world of work.

What's in it for my business?

- ✓ An effective way to build the capacity of your workforce
- ✓ Opportunity to spot potential talent/recruitment opportunity
- ✓ Professional development and improved interpersonal skills among staff
- ✓ Supports your Corporate Social Responsibility agenda

Benefits of the JET Academy

- ✓ The JET Academy benefits from the support of employers across all industry sectors
- ✓ Young people are matched to a suitable work placement in a sector of their choice
- ✓ Placements are flexible and can range from half a day per week to full time opportunities
- ✓ All placements are registered through Gateway Shared Services and are health and safety approved
- ✓ Nationally recognised qualifications are on offer where appropriate
- ✓ JET participants are supported by school staff and a dedicated JET Co-ordinator who also maintain essential links with the employer
- ✓ Young people gain a realistic view of the world of work and employer expectations
- ✓ JET Academy staff work with the young person to identify a pathway towards a positive destination in education, training or employment.

What employers say

"We have been very impressed with the calibre of school pupils coming through the JET & JET Plus schemes recently. They have been eager to learn and have demonstrated very good work practice ethics."

Derek Kelly

Workshop Manager, SJS Property Services

What students say

"When the JET Programme was presented to me at Assembly in school, I saw a brilliant opportunity to get myself out there into the world of work and get a job."

Connor Stephen

Trinity Academy, placement with The Kitchen

What schools say

"JET has been a huge success at Firrhill High School. JET really does develop skills for life, learning and work which are recognised at SCQF Level 4. The impact the JET experience has on these young people is significant."

Ian Porter

Principal Teacher Guidance, Firrhill High School

How can I get involved?

For further information on how you can support the JET Academy, please contact the Administration Team on 0131 529 6900

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