



YEAR 10

Taking Part in the LiNCHigher Award is a great way of showing future universities and colleges that you are the sort of student who wants to aim high. This award is all about higher education and the choices you can make once you have left school. By exploring your options now, you are giving yourself the best chance to make positive decisions when the time comes. Completing this award will show that you are dedicated, can work independently and know what your next steps could be. This is exactly what colleges and universities want to see.

In year 10 there are two levels of award you can complete, Bronze and Silver. The Bronze award is the best way to introduce yourself to the award and world of Higher Education. The Silver Award is for those who want to really show what they are on the path towards higher education. This booklet will guide you through the different levels, the only extra things you need are; access to a computer with the internet and a pen.



BRONZE AWARD:

To achieve the bronze award, you will need to log into LiNCHigher Learning and complete two of the modules we have prepared for you. Once you have completed the modules record them in this booklet and answer the questions, you will need to get a teacher or a member of the LiNCHigher Team to sign it. If you don't know how to log onto LiNCHigher Learning ask your careers leader or go to linchigher.co.uk and get in touch.

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SILVER AWARD:

1. The silver award is all about showing you can do things independently, you will need to complete all of the bronze award activity plus the activities below. You will need to log into LiNCHigher Learning and complete a third module.

Once you have completed the module record it in this booklet and answer the questions, you will need to get a teacher or a member of the LiNCHigher Team to sign it. If you don't know how to log onto LiNCHigher Learning ask your careers leader or go to linchigher.com and get in touch.

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2. Independent working and the ability to find things for yourself is an essential skill in higher education. This activity will help demonstrate that you can do exactly this! You will need to research and attend a virtual open day or other university event. Open days are used by universities and colleges to give you an opportunity to find out what they have to offer and ask questions. Virtual Open days are the on-line equivalent and give you an opportunity to virtually visit a university anywhere in the country.

To complete this activity, you will need to take part in one of these online events and write about your experience. Write about **400 words** and try to answer the following questions.

- Do you think higher education / university is for you?
- Was higher education / university what you expected? How was it different to or the same as your expectations?
- What subjects at school do you think are the most important if you want to go on to Higher Education
- What opportunities do you think you will get by going onto Higher education /university?

Make sure you include any other thoughts you had, which event you chose to attend and which institution was hosting it.

Write or type your work and staple it into this booklet.

Now you have completed the silver award all you need to do is sign below to say that you have completed this award to the best of your ability. Now you can hand this booklet into your careers leader. Once we have checked everything over we will be in touch at the end of the school year to give you your silver award.

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