

Where can I study or train when I leave Appleton Academy?

Local school sixth forms

School sixth forms are attached to a school and are available for students ages 16-19 years of age. They traditionally offer level 3 qualifications such as A Levels or BTECs. However, some establishments may also offer level 2 qualifications that after successful completion would allow students to progress onto a level 3 qualification after the first year. There are schools in Leeds, Kirklees, and Calderdale that also have sixth forms.

These are the sixth forms available in the Bradford Area. (Subject to Change)

Beckfoot School – https://www.beckfoot.org/sixth-form/
Beckfoot Oakbank – https://www.beckfootoakbank.org/sixth-form/
Belle Vue Girls – https://bvgacademy.co.uk/Post-16/
Bingley Grammar – www.bingleygrammar.org/
Bradford Grammar – www.bradfordgrammar.com/sixth-form
Brighouse High School – https://virtual.brighouse.calderdale.sch.uk/
Feversham Academy – www.feversham-academy.fetrust.org.uk/for-pupils/sixth-form
Hanson Academy – www.hansonschool.org.uk
Immanuel College – https://www.immanuelpost16.co.uk/
North Halifax Grammar – https://www.nhgs.co.uk/sixth-form/A-level-subjects
Parkside school – https://parksideschool.net/sixth-form/overview
St Benedict's – https://stbenedicts.sbsj.co.uk/
Titus Salt School – www.titussaltschool.co.uk

Local sixth form colleges

Sixth form colleges offer the same level 3 qualifications (such as A-Levels) as school sixth forms. However, they are stand alone with only students who are 16-19 attending. They are much larger and therefore offer a greater variety of courses.

Most sixth form colleges have a minimum baseline entry requirement of five GCSE passes at grades 4 and above (to include Maths and English)

Dixons 6th Form Academy - https://www.dixons6a.com/
Elliott Hudson Leeds – www.elliottHUDSONcollege.ac.uk
Greenhead College – https://www.greenhead.ac.uk/
Huddersfield New College – https://www.huddnewcoll.ac.uk/

New College Bradford – https://ncbradford.ac.uk/
Notre Dame Catholic 6th Form College – https://www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/
Pudsey Sixth form https://pudseysixthformcollege.ac.uk/ To open Sept 2025
Trinity Sixth Form Academy Halifax – www.sixth.trinitymat.org

Local Colleges

Colleges usually offer vocational courses (from entry level through to level 3), that prepare you for specific areas of work and employment. There are several colleges that you can choose to attend in Bradford and the surrounding area. You may want to consider distance, but also consider that some colleges may also offer a course that is not offered in other places.

Bradford College – https://www.bradfordcollege.ac.uk/
Calderdale College – https://www.calderdale.ac.uk/
Craven College – www.craven-college.ac.uk
Keighley College – https://keighleycollege.ac.uk/
Leeds City College – www.leedscitycollege.ac.uk
ShIPLEY College – https://www.shipleys.ac.uk/
Kirklees College – https://www.kirkleescollege.ac.uk/
Leeds College of Building (Construction) – https://www.lcb.ac.uk
Motiv8 – https://www.motive8vc.co.uk/

Specialist Colleges

There are also Specialist Colleges in our region which offer courses that focus on a specific vocational area. It might be that you want to consider these if you are really interested in a particular subject they are offering.

Askham Bryan Animal Management at Shipley, York, Wakefield. https://www.askham-bryan.ac.uk/
Aviation Academy Leeds - https://www.theaviationacademy.co.uk/
School of Rock and Media (SORM) - https://www.sormstudios.co.uk/education

SORM is a music studio that offers a range of vocational qualifications and employability skills for students and young people with an EHCP.

Exceed Hairdressing Academy - <https://www.salonexceed.co.uk/training-academy/>

Pinc College - <https://pinccollege.co.uk>

Inclusive, supportive art college Specialist Colleges for creative education in the UK, focusing on creative study programme pathways for 16–25-year-olds. Pinc specialises in supporting Neurodivergent young people with an EHCP.

Direct Skills Group (formerly the Yorkshire College of Beauty) - <https://directskillsgroup.co.uk/>

GP Work Experience link- <https://www.rcgp.org.uk/training-exams/discover-general-practice/observe-gp.aspx>

Bradford Park Avenue FC - <https://www.bpaacademy.co.uk/>

Local football club who offers football and training programmes.