

# Key Facts

**TELFORD COLLEGE**  
of Arts and Technology



THE QUEEN'S  
ANNIVERSARY PRIZES  
FOR HIGHER AND FURTHER EDUCATION

2007



## Strength

- Every year the College recruits in excess of 23,000 students
- Over 12,000 students are taught on employers' premises every year
- The College, with an annual turnover of £31M, is the largest provider of further education in Shropshire
- The College employs approximately 1000 highly skilled people
- The College is committed to achieving its objectives through partnership working
- The College has a retention rate across the board of 92%
- The College's Sports Academy is in its sixth year, and each year goes from strength to strength working alongside the council and community, and is at the forefront of national best practice

## Mission Statement

*"Where great futures begin and every learner matters"*

## Success

- The College has been honoured with a Queen's Award for "Delivering economically important skills on employers' premises"
- Overall student success rates at Telford College are 88% which places it as one of the highest performing colleges in the country
- The College is recognised as a Learning and Skills Beacon College
- The College has won more national awards for the quality of its provision than any college in the United Kingdom
- 2,385 students gained qualifications in basic literacy and numeracy, a success rate of 100%
- The College is the only further education college nationwide to have a Super Dome as part of its superb sports facilities
- Each year the College holds TCAT Celebrates where we enjoy the successful achievements of students and staff

## Skills

- The College specialises in providing vocational education
- The College is a Centre of Vocational Excellence in Engineering
- The College is the largest and most successful provider of training on employer premises in the United Kingdom
- Over 200 students annually gain higher level professional qualifications and foundation degrees at the College
- Over 1,000 pre-16 learners access the College each year for vocational qualifications

## Social Mobility

- 51% of College students come from electoral wards with a historically low participation rate in Further Education
- The proportion of enrolments from ethnic minority groups exceeds that of the community profile
- 10% of the College's students are less than 21 years old
- The average age of a student at the College is 32
- 94% of our students attend part-time
- The College provides training on over 800 companies premises nationwide

## Learning Resources

- The College has outstanding resources to facilitate high quality learning
- Over £23M has been invested in improving the learning environment in the past decade
- The Super Dome, in conjunction with Telford and Wrekin Council, provides football for players of all ages in the Telford Area
- The College invested more than £2 million in technology and equipment in the Engineering Centre of Vocational Excellence.

## Citizenship and Sustainability

- The College is committed to playing a leading role in the life of its local community
- Staff and students have raised over £20K to support the Severn Hospice
- The College is committed to promoting healthy lifestyles and this is reflected in the curriculum enrichment programme and the health promoting strategy
- The College has an extensive Learner Involvement Strategy which encourages all of our students to shape the College's processes and procedures



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