

2025 Sixth Form Conference

Change in Challenging Times: Leading a Successful Sixth Form

Monday 7 July 2025 9.00am – 3:30pm

Roundhay School, Leeds

Time	Details		
8:30 – 9:00am	Registration, exhibitors and networking		
9:00 – 9:05am	Conference welcome and introductions Suki Gill, HFL Education & Steve Howell, Red Kite Connect		
9:05 – 10:00am	Key curriculum updates for Sixth Form Leaders Association of School and College Leaders (ASCL)		
10:00 – 10:40am	Looking ahead at the UCAS 2025/26 cycle Ellie Rowley, UCAS		
10:40 – 10:50am	Exhibitor announcements		
10:50 – 11:10am	Refreshments, exhibitors and networking		
11:10am – 12:00pm	Supporting participation and access into Higher Education University panel session		
12:00 – 12:45pm	Workshops		
	Mismatch in university destinations – why do some students “undershoot” their potential and what can we do about it? Sam Holmes, CEO, Causeway Education	Driving your Sixth Form forward: Lessons learned from the frontline Jamie Gutch, Deputy Headteacher, Ilkley Grammar School	Making apprenticeships work for young people Suki Gill, HFL Education
12:45 – 1:30pm	Lunch, exhibitors and networking		
1:30pm – 2:15pm	Workshops		
	Unifrog Insights: overcoming barriers to work experience for all students Zoe Long, Area Manager, Unifrog	Violence against women and girls prevention and digital literacy Tracey Harper, HFL Education	Optimising post-16 funding Suki Gill, HFL Education
2:15 – 2:35pm	Refreshments, exhibitors and networking		
2:35 – 3:30pm	Equity in Action: Raising outcomes for all Julie Kettlewell, Content Lead for Learning Behaviours (Alumni Content Specialist), Education Endowment Foundation (EEF)		
3:30pm	Conference evaluation and close Suki Gill, HFL Education & Steve Howell, Red Kite Connect		