



Dear Parent/Guardian,

RE: NCS Summer 2022

Sheffield United Community Foundation are your local Delivery Partners for NCS. We are excited to be working with Birley this year to deliver an unforgettable summer experience for students in year 11.

The NCS programme offers young people, aged 16-17, a once in a lifetime opportunity to do something meaningful with their summer break, as well as a chance to develop skills and take on new challenges that will set them up for adult life. They'll also do something good for their local community, carrying out a social action project to support a cause they care about. We've seen first-hand what an amazing feeling of accomplishment and increased confidence this brings. Throughout the pandemic, teenagers on NCS donated well over 200,000 hours of their time to help rebuild their communities after the first lockdown, showing what a difference young people can make when they work together towards a goal.

Over a period of 2 weeks, they will;

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| ✓ Meet new people | ✓ Take on new challenges |
| ✓ Stay away from home for 5 days | ✓ Develop the skills and confidence to take on their next steps |
| ✓ Give back to their local community through voluntary action | ✓ Generate experience for their university application, job/apprenticeship interview or CV and more! |

NCS is all about helping teenagers realise their potential by giving them a taste of independence and loading them up with new skills that set them up to achieve their future goals, whatever they may be. And this year, it's your teen's turn!

We will be attending Birley on 24th, 26th, 27th and 28th of January to talk more about the NCS programme. We'll answer any questions your teen may have and give them a chance to register their interest for the summer 2022 programme.

When your teen registers their interest in taking part in NCS this summer, we will ask them to share your contact details. This is so that we can complete the administrative process required to get them signed up to a programme date. When they let us know they're interested, we'll be in touch with you by email or phone to run through the steps we need to complete their booking.

A place on NCS is worth around £1200. However, thanks to government funding for the programme, we only ask for a contribution of £50 to cover some basic costs. We want to ensure that everyone can do NCS so there are bursaries available if you need some help to cover the cost. Bursaries are available to those who are either:

- Eligible for free school meals

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- On an EHCP
- In or have recently left care
- A young carer

This summer, we've got a few start dates that you can choose from:

18/07/2022 - 29/07/2022

01/08/2022 - 12/08/2022

15/08/2022 - 26/08/2022

Each of these summer programmes are 2 weeks long. These programmes do not include the weekends.

Go to wearencs.com to sign up or for more information. Frequently asked questions can be found at wearencs.com/faqs. Alternatively, if you have any questions or don't think these dates will work with your summer plans, give Charlotte Hedges at Sheffield United Community Foundation a call and we'll do our best to help you out.

We look forward to welcoming your teen on NCS this summer!

Warm wishes,

Charlotte Hedges - NCS Manager (07940546757)

Thomas Grant - Programme Coordinator

Charlie Boulby - Recruitment Coordinator

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