



Work Placement Application Form 2026–2027

A WARM WELCOME FROM OUR CEO



Ayrshire Chamber, on behalf of our local authority partners, supports the delivery of the schools' work experience programme in North and South Ayrshire – working closely with employers to create meaningful placement opportunities for young people.

For many young people, work experience is their first real insight into the workplace. A placement can help build confidence, develop practical skills, and shape future career choices in ways that the classroom alone cannot.

By offering a placement, you have the opportunity to make a genuine difference—providing a young person with valuable experience while helping them better understand the world of work and the opportunities within your sector.

At the same time, it offers a chance to connect with future talent, bring fresh perspectives into your business, and play a part in addressing the skills challenges many employers continue to face.

We know that hosting a placement is a commitment, and we are here to support you throughout the process. Your involvement is greatly valued, and we encourage you to consider getting involved in shaping the workforce of the future.

1.PROVIDER DETAILS

Name of Provider (company/organisation/agency):

Sector:

Placement Supervisor:

Placement Address:

Email Address:

No. of Employees:

Position:

Postcode:

Tel:

Provider:

The name, address, postcode, telephone number and email address of the organisation.

Placement Supervisor:

This should be the person with the main responsibility and who will be the main point of contact for work experience within the organisation. This should also be who the pupil will report to on their first day.

The pupil will not be allowed to work outside the hours stipulated in the job description, in addition, the pupil will not receive any payment for the work.

2.PLACEMENT DETAILS

Placement Title:

Department:

Description of Duties:

Day(s) of Attendance:

Start Time:

Finish Time:

Lunchtimes:

Canteen Facilities:

☐

Yes

☐

No

Title of Placement:

E.g. clerical assistant, sales assistant.

Description of Duties:

Details of the types of activities which the pupil will be involved in and observing.

Day(s)/Work Times:

E.g. Mon–Fri 9am–5pm

Lunch Arrangements:

Indicate if the pupil should bring their own lunch and whether there is kitchen facilities available.

3.PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Additional Requirements e.g. Dress Code etc:

Please list any PPE that may be required:

Will this PPE be provided by you?

☐

Yes

☐

No

Placement Requirements:

Please indicate any extra details e.g. special clothing requirements, dress code

PPE:

If an identified control measure is to wear or use protective clothing equipment, please specify what is required e.g. a hard hat, safety boots or special eyewear.

4.ANY OTHER INFORMATION: (e.g. school subjects etc)

Any other

Information:

Please indicate if you have any age restrictions, if you require a pre-placement meeting, if the pupil should be studying subjects, etc.

This applies to week-long and flexible placements.

Option 1: Week-long Placements

Please take into consideration when selecting dates & schools:

- For example, St Matthews Academy (North Ayrshire) & Queen Margaret Academy (South Ayrshire) will have pupils traveling from all over the local authority and might have students who live close to your place of work.
- Please note Additional Support Needs Schools are Extended Outreach, Lockhart Campus, Queen Margaret Academy SLC, South Craig School.

PLEASE NOTE: If your placement(s) are selected, the school(s) endeavours to send confirmation letter at least 2 weeks prior to any pupil attending a placement. We recommend that you keep a record of the week(s) you have selected.

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH SCHOOL(S) YOU CAN OFFER A PLACEMENT TO BY ENTERING THE MAX NUMBER OF PUPILS YOU CAN OFFER TO NEXT TO THE SCHOOL NAME

Date – Week Commencing	North Ayrshire Schools	No. of Pupils	South Ayrshire Schools	No. of Pupils
28th September 2026			Kyle Academy	
			Marr College	
5th October 2026	Ardrossan Academy		Queen Margaret Academy	
	Garnock Community Campus		Ayr Academy	
19th October 2026	Irvine Royal Academy			
	Largs Academy			
26th October 2026	Greenwood Academy		Prestwick Academy	
	Largs Academy			
2nd November 2026	Greenwood Academy			
9th November 2026	Auchenharvie Academy		Marr College	
16th November 2026			Girvan Academy	
23rd November 2026			Girvan Academy	
2027				
1st February 2027	Lockhart School (ASN)		Prestwick Academy	
15th March 2027			Prestwick Academy	
26th April 2027	Ardrossan Academy		Carrick Academy	
4th May 2027 – Monday BH	Arran High School			
10th May 2027	Greenwood Academy		Queen Margaret Academy	
	Kilwinning Academy			
17th May 2027	Kilwinning Academy		Carrick Academy	
	St Matthew's Academy		Kyle Academy	
			Marr College	
24th May 2027 – SAC Fri BH	Irvine Royal Academy		Ayr Academy	
	St Matthew's Academy			
7th June 2027	Garnock Community Campus		Belmont Academy	
	Auchenharvie Academy			
14th June 2027			Belmont Academy	

If you can offer a flexible placement, please indicate which school(s) you can offer to and a member of our BLO team will be in touch to discuss further.

6. ASN PUPILS

Do you have the capacity to host a pupil with additional support needs in your workplace?

☐

Yes

☐

No

This can be considered on a case-by-case basis. If you would like to have a discussion with a member of our team and the young person's key worker to advise you on what support would be offered to you for the duration of the placement this

HEALTH AND SAFETY DETAILS

To comply with the Management of Health & Safety at Work Act 1999 regulations, firms or organisations providing work placements are required to assess the risks associated with the activities carried out by the pupil.

The pupil will be carrying out meaningful work during their period of work placement. The work will be carried out by a responsible person and the pupil will be given an appropriate instruction before and supervision whilst participating in any activity. Under no circumstances should pupils operate prescribed and/or any prescribed machinery as defined by statute.

The firm or organisation providing work placement will therefore ensure that the pupil is not required to operate any hazardous machine, to work in any hazardous environment, or to carry out work of an unsuitable or objectionable nature.

The firm or organisation will take responsibility for ensuring the pupils welfare. The firm or organisation will supply any special or protective clothing required by the pupil whilst performing the task.

Risk Assessment:

By Law a company with 5 or more employees should have a Health & Safety Policy which contains a statement of general policy on health and safety at work and the organisations arrangements for putting that policy into practice.

7. PROVIDER'S RISK ASSESSMENT

Has a Risk Assessment been carried out of the activities in which the pupil will be involved and any other process, procedure or environmental factor by which they may be affected ([click here for guidelines](#))

☐

Yes

☐

No

8. PROVIDER'S HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Please use this checklist to help you identify any significant hazards. Once you have done this it is important to have control measures in place to minimise any associated risk.

Please tick where appropriate:

Slip/Trips/Falls

(spillages, trailing cables, flooring)

☐

Noise

(machinery, tools, equipment, environment)

☐

Working with Animals

(farm, domestic, wild)

☐

Falls from Height

(platforms, ladders, fragile surfaces)

☐

Hazardous Substances

(cleaning products/oils, etc)

☐

Vibration

(machinery, transport, powered hand tools)

☐

Display Screen Equipment

(computers, cash register)

☐

Transport

(fork lift trucks, cars, HGV's etc)

☐

Manual Handling

(lifting, carrying, pushing, pulling, etc)

☐

Electricity

(mains operated & portable appliances)

☐

Radiation

(x-ray, UV, lasers, radioactive materials)

☐

Asbestos

(building maintenance / vehicle repairs)

☐

Pressure Systems

(gas, air, receivers, steam boilers)

☐

8A. PROVIDER'S CONTROL MEASURES

Control Measures:

Control measures should include a full induction and supervision. They may also include PPE, training, etc.

8B. INSURANCE DETAILS (Please enclose a current copy)

Does the company have Public Liability Insurance?

☐

Yes

☐

No

A certificate should be clearly displayed where it can be seen by employees

Name of Insurance Company:

Date of Expiry:

Policy Number:

Indemnity Limit:

Is your policy automatically renewed annually?

☐

Yes

☐

No

Does the company have Employers Liability Insurance?

☐

Yes

☐

No

A certificate should be clearly displayed where it can be seen by employees

Name of Insurance Company:

Date of Expiry:

Policy Number:

Indemnity Limit:

Is your policy automatically renewed annually?

☐

Yes

☐

No

Insurance:

All placement providers must have valid Public and

Employers' Liability Insurance in place to cover the period of the placement. This is regardless of employee numbers or sole trader status.

The firm or organisation providing the work placements will ensure that the firm's or organisation's Public and Employers' Liability Insurances will provide cover for pupils for the period(s) of work placements. Firms or organisations providing work placements must be prepared to accept pupils on this basis and should advise their insurers accordingly. This must take place prior to any pupils attending their placement.

The majority of placements will require a visit by a member of our BLO team to carry out a Health and Safety check on behalf of the Local Authority prior to any pupils attending placement. A member of the team will contact you to arrange a visit at a time convenient to the organisation. The team will also work with you to ensure you are aware of your obligations when hosting a young person on placement.

ACCEPTANCE AND AGREEMENT

I CONFIRM THAT –

- I have read the application form and agree that all points are acceptable to me and I have taken all appropriate action .
- The company's Public and Employer's Liability Insurance have confirmed they will cover a pupil for the duration of their Work Placement and a copy of this policy is enclosed.
- I am clear about the purpose of Work Placements.
- The pupil will receive induction and instruction which includes Health & Safety issues, covering identified hazards and control measures, by a competent person. The pupil will be supervised at all times.
- I have identified a range of appropriate activities for the pupil's to do and observe during their time with me.
- Where possible, I will aim to have a feedback session with the pupil before the end of their placement.
- The details provided are held on a database to support work placement and other similar activities.
- The pupil may be required to sign an agreement, copies of which will be available for inspection on request, stating that they will: not disclose of any information confidential to the firm or organisation without the firm's or organisation's approval. Obey all safety, security and other instructions given by the firm or organisation providing work placements.
- In case of an accident, sickness or absence, the firm or organisation providing the work placement will notify by telephone, without delay, the head teacher of the pupil's school and the pupil's home, if a telephone number is given.
- The pupil will be allowed to use whatever facilities the firm or organisation provides in these circumstances.
- The identified occupation is based on due consideration of the nature of the anticipated work activities involved in this placement. You are asked to bring to our attention any other factors related to the actual activities to be carried out or the layout and/or the use made of your premises e.g. the presence of machinery or high volumes of traffic in or around the premises, which may require a re-assessment of this rating. If you do not agree with this assessment you are asked to provide details for information regarding the assessment.
- The firm or organisation will comply with its legal obligations under the Data Protection Act at all times.
- The pupil will not be allowed to work outside the hours stipulated in the job description. In addition, the pupils should not receive any payment of the work.

Name of Organisation:

Signed:

Position:

Date:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this application form, your participation in the work placement programme is very much appreciated. Please return to: workplacement@ayrshire-chamber.org