EDUCATION TO EMPLOYMENT

What is Education to Employment?

The Education to Employment service provided by the Hutt Valley Chamber of Commerce for the secondary schools in our region helps prepare ākonga for their futures by connecting them with employers. An 'employer' can be anyone working in an industry or business who wants to help ākonga prepare for the world of work. They can be in any business or industry, and be in any role.

Learning about the world of work is a journey. Ākonga and their whānau will:

- **DISCOVER** – what their possibilities are – what they are passionate about, what careers are out there, what they like to study, and find out more about what job opportunities are out there.
- **EXPLORE** – what opportunities exist for them – what they would like to study, what industries and jobs might interest them.
- **CONNECT** – see the world of work – get insight into what jobs do, gain work experience or on-the-job learning.
- **EXPERIENCE** – experience the world of work – get hands-on experience with an employer in are area of interest to the ākonga.

All ākonga will benefit from understanding their possible future of work. If ākonga are aiming at further study, i.e. University, Te Pūkenga, or other providers, or if they at aiming at an apprenticeship, or employment, they will:

- Get to see the industries they might work in.
- Meet people working in those industries.
- Understand the skills and qualifications that they might need to be successful.
- Develop an understanding of what their future might include.

The Hutt Valley Chamber of Commerce can support ākonga, teachers and careers advisors with employer or industry engagement in a number of ways, including:
- School visits and talks
- Role model relationships such as Inspiring the Future (external link)
- Site visits
- Work experience, including Gateway and Trades Academies (external link)
- Mentoring sessions, including help completing CVs and interviews
- Online pathways events
- In-person careers and pathways events
- Employment outcomes

We provide the E2E service from Year 9 to Year 13. Employer engagement is most effective when it starts early and is ongoing.

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The benefits of working with the Hutt Valley Chamber of Commerce to support your employer engagement include:

For Ākonga:
- Helping to connect their school-based learning to the workplace
- Connecting to their possible futures can inspire them and promote better engagement, attendance, and academic results
- Provide additional relevance in what they are learning at school/kura, and develop increased confidence in their futures
- Making better-informed decisions about what pathways might work for them
- See and understand different opportunities in their future.

Employers can:
- Supporting ākonga in their own communities or at the school/kura they attended
- Showcasing their industry with ākonga and their whānau, what jobs exist, and the skills they are looking for
- Employers can use these engagements as an opportunity to see and engage with future talent for their business(es).

Connect with the Hutt Valley Chamber of Commerce E2E team today to support your employer engagement

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What should I do if I have an issue with the E2E service being provided by the Hutt Valley Chamber of Commerce?

We take feedback, issues and questions about all of our services seriously at the Hutt Valley Chamber of Commerce. It is important that we get this feedback and take action to rectify the issue that you have. If you have an issue, please contact:

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On receipt of feedback we will respond to you within 12 hours to let you know that we have received the feedback and what we will do about it. All complaints, issues and feedback about our services are dealt with using the Hutt Valley Chamber of Commerce Complaints Process, which is available on our website.

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