



SEEVIC college was established in 1972, as one of the first purpose built Sixth Form Colleges in the country. It became an independent Further Education Corporation in April 1993 and is now funded largely by the Learning and Skills Council. Originally established to provide post 16 education to students from its partner 11-16 schools in the Canvey, Benfleet, Rayleigh and Rochford areas, the College is now significantly oversubscribed attracting approximately 2,500 16-19 year old students from a wide area. The College provides Higher Education in partnership with Anglia Ruskin University and caters for approximately 1000 part time adults on a range of courses from its main Benfleet Campus. The College gained Centre of Vocational Excellence (CoVE) in Sports & Leisure in 2004. The curriculum is under constant review; in September 2008 a new Commercial Development Unit will open, providing a range of courses and services to business and commerce.

The College provides exceptional educational opportunities and results for its students. The range and diversity of courses on offer, and excellent resources, create a stimulating learning environment for students to achieve their maximum potential. The College has continuously developed its accommodation and a new £70m - £80m development of the Benfleet Campus is planned to be completed by summer 2012. SEEVIC College is also providing a brand new £80m - £100m campus in central Basildon by 2012, working with sector-leading architects. The College leads a consortium providing new FE courses in Basildon and will open its 'New Campus Basildon' facility next to Basildon Station in September 2008. This is an extremely exciting and rewarding time to be involved with SEEVIC College.

The majority of the 16-19 students studying at the College follow academic or general vocational courses. The College offers around 40 GCE A and AS Level subjects, which can be taken in many combinations. There is also a wide range of vocational courses available. Approximately 50% of full time 16-19 students follow AS/A2 programmes. The results achieved place the College amongst the top performing institutions nationally.

Particular emphasis is placed upon effective support for students. Personal Tutors provide help and guidance and ensure that students are encouraged to become fully involved in the College community. This support has been judged as outstanding by OFSTED inspectors.

The College plays an active part in Local Partnerships and its Mission commits it to provide both 16-18 and Adult Learning for the local community. It is a member of the Association of Colleges in the Eastern Region [ACER] and the Federation of Essex Colleges [FEDEC]. In recent years the number of students of all types has increased, as has their success on the expanding range of programmes.