

Bournemouth & Poole College

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Bournemouth & Poole College has partnered with Premier League football team [AFC Bournemouth](#) to inspire more young people to reach their full potential and chase their dreams.

The College has become an official partner of AFC Bournemouth's [Community Sports Trust](#), which offers free football and additional opportunities to young people, for the 2018/19 and 2019/20 seasons. The Trust's [Premier League Kicks](#) programme encourages young people to get involved in playing sports in the evenings and on weekends to lead a healthier lifestyle and benefit from improved wellbeing in a safe environment with their friends.

Staff from Bournemouth & Poole College will be hosting employability workshops for the participants of the Poole region of Premier League Kicks, which is led by project ambassador and AFC Bournemouth player, Tyrone Mings. The College team will be aiming to support the young people to pursue the next steps of their chosen career path, while highlighting the opportunities available at the College, which is the largest provider of further education and apprenticeships in the area.

Diane Grannell, principal of Bournemouth & Poole College, said: "We are exceptionally proud to be working with AFC Bournemouth, which has a huge impact on our community, and the team are great role models for all of our students and their families. We are really keen to help as many young people as possible to go after the career that they have always wanted and we believe this fantastic partnership with AFC Bournemouth will help to spread the message further."

The College team are hoping to welcome some of the Cherries team and staff to the various events hosted throughout the year to see the work that the students have created and to help inspire them to pursue their chosen career. The College's branding will also appear at the [Vitality Stadium](#) and staff are wishing to increase the opportunities available to the students after becoming members of the AFC Business community, which boasts a network of over 1,800 members.

Amy Brunton, partnerships manager at AFC Bournemouth, said: "It is great to have the support of Bournemouth & Poole College, which is well respected in the community. We are really pleased to be working with the College to help to reach more young people through our Premier League Kicks programme. It will be invaluable to have the input of the College team to help advise our young people on how they can get the career they have always wanted if they focus on their education and work hard."

For more information about the further education and apprenticeship courses available at Bournemouth & Poole College, go to [thecollege.co.uk](https://www.thecollege.co.uk) or call 01202 205205. For more information about the AFC Bournemouth Community Sports Trust, go to afcb.co.uk/community-sports-trust/