

# Level 2 Technical Diploma Animal Care

## Why study this course at Cronton Sixth Form?

This programme is designed to provide you with the best 'hands on' experience in animal care. The course covers an outstanding blend of practical and theoretical activities covering a wide range of animals and their care, management and well-being. This course has been specifically designed to enhance the career opportunities for anyone wishing to work within the animal sector.

The highly qualified tutors will provide you with a wealth of experience and expertise to support your academic progress. In addition, the modern and well-equipped animal care facilities at Cronton Sixth Form's ARC, provides 'hands on' experience with a wide range of animal species.

The College is extremely fortunate to have its own Animal Centre. The animals we have include Guinea pigs, rabbits, snakes, lizards, birds and stick insects to name just a few. The students take on the responsibility of handling and husbandry duties for these animals and carry out regular health checks on them under supervision. The college works alongside several animal related organisations, which give our students regular access to realistic working environments and experience with a full range of species.

## What will I study?

You will study Practical Animal Health, Introduction to Biology Health, Animal Care Work Placement, Animal Welfare, Animal Behaviour Assessment and Safe Handling, and Feeding, Accommodating and Moving Animals.



## How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed through a variety of practical activities in the animal room, written assignments, presentations and poster work.

## Entry Requirements

5 GCSE Grades at 9 – 3 including a Grade 3 in English Language, Science and Maths.

## Can I study this course if I have not taken it at GCSE?

You do not need to have previously studied this subject at GCSE level.



## Centre of Excellence in STEM

Cronton Sixth Form College has created a Centre of Excellence for Advanced Level Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths courses. This Centre of Excellence has been developed through the recruitment of some of the best teaching staff in the country, the building of our new state of the art IDEA Centre and science labs, and the expansion of our extra-curricular activities that support applications to the most prestigious universities.

## Be inspired

Work experience opportunities have been secured at veterinary practices, pet shops, groomers, Knowsley Safari Park, RSPCA, boarding kennels and Chester Zoo.

## What can this course lead on to?

Students who achieve a Merit or above grade can progress onto the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Animal Management.

Alternatively, you might wish to secure employment in one of the following areas:

- Pet store or kennels/cattery manager
- Trainee veterinary nurse/animal care technician
- Animal rescue centre staff
- Guide dog trainer
- Trainee zookeeper

## Any additional costs?

There are costs associated with educational visits to local attractions, specialist animal centres & residential trips. You will always be given advance warning of these. You are also required to purchase an Animal Management uniform which you will wear during any practical activity.

## Outstanding Facilities

Trips to CERN (Switzerland), Jodrell Bank radio telescope observatory, Culham Science Centre for Experimental Fusion, Chester Zoo, The Natural History Museum and prestigious universities.

## What have previous students said about this subject?

"I have enjoyed every second of this course, everything is genuinely so interesting. You're learning about animals whilst surrounded by them in your classroom"

## Meet the Students

Name:  
**James Hill**

Previously from:  
**The Sutton Academy**

Destination:  
**Bangor University, Zoology with Herpetology**

Vocational Results:  
**Level 3 Extended Diploma in Animal Management**

**Distinction\*, Distinction\*, Distinction\***

