







# KFE4Skills

The Kent & Medway
FE College Skills Competition
2024

# Programme

**29**<sup>th</sup> **February Commercial Skills** at MidKent College Medway Campus

**5<sup>th</sup> March Creative Skills** at North Kent College Dartford

8<sup>th</sup> March Trade Skills at East Kent Colleges Group Folkestone College

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Time	Location	Details
08:45 – 09:15	Reception Sign-in Area	Event registration and student / guest sign-in
09:00 - 09:30	Competition Assembly Area & Skill Zones	Competitors assemble Students & lead staff to gather
09:30	Competition Assembly Area	Event Brief & Competition Welcome Intro & house-keeping - KFE Director: Mark Hill Welcome — Host College Representative
09:35	Industry Zone Banners	Competition Commences Competitors escorted by skill leads to industry competition locations
Competition Phase		
09:35 – 12:00	Competition Zones	<b>Live Competitions Commence</b> To take place in relevant industry competition areas
Lunch Phase (this is flexible for each competition)		
12:00 - 14:00	Refreshments Areas Refectory / Comp space	<b>Lunch options available at various outlet points</b> Competitor free grab & go lunch voucher option
Competition Phase & Awards		
12:00 – 15:00	Competition Zones	<b>Live competitions &amp; judging continues</b> To take place in relevant industry competition areas
14:00 – 15:45	Assembly Area	Competition Award Ceremonies  Medals and finalist certificates awarded
KFE4Skills Event Closes & Transport		
16:00	Assembly Area Transport Pick-up Points	Formal event close and transport pick-up Transport as planned by home colleges

# KFE4Skills Building confidence, developing resilience and proving talent

It is great to welcome back KFE4Skills24 as the 4th full KFE inter-college skills event, bringing together all 3 FE organisations and their combined 12 main campus sites, for what will for the first time be 3 days of industry-based skills competitions.

KFE4Skills24 sees circa 200 student competitors and dozens of assisting students, gathering for industry sector based real-world skill challenges across 24 industry sector rounds, within 3 broad industry groupings - Artisan Trades, Creative Industries and Commercial Industries.

Participating students have been selected by their colleges and will compete for the now established KFE4Skills Gold, Silver and Bronze medal awards which will be presented in our ceremony at the end of each day. Good luck to all the students participating and remember most of all to enjoy it!





# **Event Day Information**

KFE4Skills is a large-scale event for the colleges and takes considerable organisation. It is an additional piece of work for all the staff involved and an additional challenge for all the participating students. To help make things run smoothly, we hope these notes will prove helpful.

### **Arrivals & Departures**

We kindly ask that you ensure that you arrive in time for the morning registration period between 8:45am and 9:15am. If you are a little early that's okay! We recommend you bring your home college lanyard which you must wear on campus, except if you need to remove it in a competition. There may be slightly different arrangements for each event location. Departures will happen progressively after awards in the afternoon. However, scheduled transport will be planned to depart at approx. 4pm. Please check with your home college staff the plans for transport that relate to you.

# Helpdesk

A helpdesk or point will be provided throughout the day. After the event launch this will be positioned near to the assembly areas and will also serve as a point where the awards will be collated and presented. Please use the helpdesk if you have any issues or simply lose your way!

# **Parking**

Parking is limited. Competitors, staff and other guests are encouraged to use collective transport, local car parks. Pre-booked parking will need to be confirmed with the Host Colleges' teams in advance. Please don't arrive and expect to park on campus unless you have this confirmed. Note, provision for those with mobility needs and registered disabled badge holders, may be accommodated subject to capacity.

#### Free Grab-n-Go Lunches

All competitors and student helpers such as models, are entitled to a free lunch bag during the day. Those for whom we received dietary, or allergy notes will have pre-named options. In general, subject to availability the range will be demarcated into popular categories for vegetarians, vegans and those with various intolerances. College paid general facilities will also be open on the day should you prefer them.

## **Judges**

Arrangements for judges including arrival times, parking etc, will be made by each competition skill lead as appropriate. KFE is very grateful to all external judges supporting this event. We really hope you enjoy engaging with the colleges, staff and especially the student competitors on the day.





## **Photography and Filming**

We are keen to ensure we capture and record KFE4Skills. During the day photographs and video may be taken by the event staff and external photography and videography colleagues. Participation in KFE4Skills requires the consent of all competitors and student helpers to being photographed or videoed for the purposes of the promoting the event. This content will be used on the KFE website, social feeds and our college partners' sites.

#### **Awards & Medals**

Medals for gold, silver and bronze placings will be awarded on the day. This is subject to final numbers registered and that attend. Where we may not have sufficient medals, these will be forwarded post event. As each competition completes leads will bring the competing students to the helpdesk near the Assembly Area. Competing students will also receive a participation certificate.



# **Event Key Contacts & Communications**



Contact KFE:

kentfurthereducation@gmail.com

#### **Adverse Weather**

It's England! Presently despite some variable weather conditions in-week we are not expecting disruption on the event day itself. Should bad weather force cancellation we will notify competitors and staff as soon as possible via email and will post notices on the KFE Twitter Feed:

@KentFurtherEd and on our KFE website.

#### **Last Minute Issues**

If you are unable to attend or delayed arriving for some reason please email us at: kentfurthereducation@gmail.com.

MidKent College Competition: Katie Sloman: <u>Katie.Sloman@midkent.ac.uk</u>
North Kent College Competition: Teresa Rees-Boughton - <u>teresareesboughton@northkent.ac.uk</u>
EKCG Folkestone College Competition: Donna Smith: <u>donna.smith@eastkent.ac.uk</u>

#### **Event Evaluation**

Thank you for attending KFE4Skills. We are keen to get your feedback which you can provide via the following link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/QkhGxfzCwu">https://forms.office.com/r/QkhGxfzCwu</a>

Feedback is helpful to us and we hope that you can find time to kindly complete the event evaluation. The survey is also available via a link at <a href="https://www.kentfurthereducation.org">www.kentfurthereducation.org</a>. The survey closes noon Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024.

#### **KFE4Skills Event Thanks**

Special thanks from KFE to the event host Colleges. Also thanks to all the students participating in the industry competitions and to all student helpers and models involved in helping make KFE4Skills happen! Good luck to students that opt to progress to World Skills UK heats!

Many thanks to all academic and support staff from EKC Group, MidKent College and North Kent College, that have helped enable the event, and to our sponsors, external guests and industry round judges for their valuable contributions to the biggest FE skills competition of its type in the southeast.



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