

**East Sussex
School Improvement Service**

14-19 : Raising the Participation Age (RPA) Conference

Course No	Venue	Date	Times		
			Arrival	Start	End
14-19028	Kings Church, Eastbourne	10 June 2010	09:00	09:30	15:30

Course closed for bookings from: 02 June 2010

Target Audience: Middle leaders in schools and colleges, Heads of Year 11, Heads of school sixth forms, PSHE Managers, CE IAG Managers, college Student Support Managers, Curriculum Managers, college Admissions staff, College IAG Managers. Work-based learning providers and Alternative Education Providers, Connexion providers, and professionals within Children Services teams.

Aim of Course: This conference aims to promote awareness of Raising the Participation Age and RPA Trial activities in East Sussex, share good practice on supporting progression to post-16 learning and re-engagement activities, and hear the views of learners.

Description: From 2015, all young people will be expected to stay in education, training, or employment with training until their eighteenth birthday. To achieve this, schools, colleges, Connexions, work-based learning providers, third-sector providers, and Children Services teams need to work in partnership and start preparing now.

East Sussex is one of 11 local authorities to be involved in a DCSF Raising the Participation Age Trial, developing solutions that work locally to get more young people to participate in education post-16. This conference will bring together all the key players in East Sussex to explore what we need to do now to prepare for RPA.

At the conference, we will hear from a keynote speaker from the DCSF, the East Sussex trial leads, and young people themselves on what RPA means to them. A range of national and local speakers will share examples of projects and delivery that have worked to increase participation, including tackling disengagement at KS3 and KS4, identifying and supporting vulnerable learners, developing flexible foundation learning provision post-16 in colleges and school sixth forms, and communicating the message of RPA effectively to a range of audiences.

There will be two workshop sessions and participants will have an opportunity to see a variety of displays during conference breaks, including:

- Creative interpretations by learners on the theme of staying on in

- education, training, employment with training until 18
- Entry to Learning
- European Social Fund projects
- Alternative Education Provision
- Information, Advice and Guidance and RPA communication materials

For any further information about the conference, please contact Julie Scala at julie.scala@eastsussex.gov.uk

Book online at czone.eastsussex.gov.uk/sistraining searching by course number **14-19028**. Conference closing date: Wednesday 2 June. If you have any difficulty booking a place online, please call the Training Events Team on 01323 466875.

- Outcomes:** By the end of the course, it is anticipated that you will:-
- know more about Raising the Participation Age and Trial activities in East Sussex;
 - understand how learners feel about staying in education, training, or employment with training until they are 18 years old;
 - be able to begin working with other key players to prepare for RPA.
- CPD Pathway:** This course is part of the:
ES Teacher Progression Programme
- Methods of Delivery:** Keynote presentations, workshops and displays.
- Tutors:** Various Tutors
- Course Contact:** Julie Scala at julie.scala@eastsussex.gov.uk
- Fee:**
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| Cost for subscribing schools: | £0.00 exc. VAT |
| Cost for non-subscribing East Sussex maintained schools | £0.00 exc. VAT |

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If you have any queries in respect of course administration please ring Sandra Wilkinson on 01323 466876.