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As the Head of Technology at Gowerton School, I wish to offer my continued support for the WJEC Level 1/2 Vocational Award in Engineering (600/8645/2) qualification. The course offers progression for a wide range of learners and now has a well-established number of pupils opting for the L1/L2 route within our centre.

Being able to run this type of course has allowed us to expand our curriculum choices, the course offers an ideal opportunity for candidates who are interested in following a more vocational pathway and, who wish to progress directly to employment or apprenticeship at the end of Key Stage 4.

It also allows successful candidates to move on to Level 3 courses at further education as an alternative route for candidates to progress to Level 3 vocational based courses, rather than tradition al AS and A2 routes, which may not suit all learners

The structure of the course allows centres to have a good level of control over the practical elements, allowing them to cater for their specific resources and budgeting constraints. This ensures that centres can meet all assessment objectives based on what they are capable to manufacture in Unit 2, and also have a range of options for Unit 1 which can be again modified too suit individual learners.

I am sure that this course will continue to expand and that enrolment off candidates will remain healthy.

The L1/L2 Engineering course offers an alternative to many of the other engineering courses which may be better suited to FE, this course, again due to its flexibility, is an ideal curriculum secondary school.

Yours Sincerely.

Head of Design & Technology Gowerton School