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Summary



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This document summarises the very positive outcomes of the Ofsted Inspection of Lambeth College which took place from 25 to 29 February 2008.

A full copy of the report may be found at **www.ofsted.gov.uk**

Dame Lorna Boreland-Kelly
Chair of Governors

“I'm extremely proud of our college. The inspection report confirms that we provide high quality education and training for local people. It is a real vote of confidence.”

Richard Chambers
Principal

“What an accolade for Lambeth College! The inspection report confirms just how good we are at supporting students, providing them with the skills they need to succeed in their courses and to progress into employment and higher education.”

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Areas where we are outstanding

Outstanding...

- Response to educational and social inclusion
- Equality of opportunity
- Meeting the needs and interests of learners
- Pastoral support for learners
- Governance

“Learners are well cared for, supported and safe.”

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Good...

- Overall effectiveness of our provision
- Teaching and learning
- Development of skills for employment
- Guidance and support for learners
- Meeting the needs of employers
- Partnership working
- Leadership and management
- Quality assurance
- Financial management



Areas where we are good

“The curriculum is highly responsive and inclusive, offering significant choice, progression opportunities and flexibility.”

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“Learners are particularly well prepared for employment.”

“The needs of employers are met very well.”

“Partnership working is highly effective.”

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“Leaders and managers provide clear vision and strategic direction.”

“Well informed governors have high expectations of both learners and staff.”

Key facts about Lambeth College:

- 20,000 students
- £38 million annual budget
- Four Centres in Brixton, Clapham, Streatham and Vauxhall plus 40 community/employer-based venues
- Four Faculties: Business and Professions; Health and Science; Skills for Life; Technologies
- Skills for Business: employer engagement
- Centre of Vocational Excellence status in three areas - Administration, Finance and Management; Construction; Career Pathways in the NHS

