

Dear Parents,

At around the age of 18, young people are faced with the decision of whether to pursue higher education or enter into a career. It's often difficult to find the right option. The 18plus programme can help with this decision. It provides assistance and guidance for pupils in preparing for the professional world and for higher education.

The programme was developed by the Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF) and the Federal Ministry of Education and Women's Affairs (BMBF) in collaboration with industry experts.

What topics do the pupils deal with in 18plus?

In the 18plus programme, the pupils primarily deal with the following questions:

- » Do I already know what I want? How confident am I in my decision?
- » What are my strengths?
- » What is important to me? What am I interested in?
- » What do I want to achieve in life in the coming years?
- » Where can I gain practical experience?
- » What are the next steps I should take?
- » How can I find the right information for my decision between a career and higher education?

One particularly important question is: Who will support me in my decision for a career or for higher education? This is where you come into the picture as a guide and a companion!

We invite you to proactively participate in your child's decision between a career and higher education. You are sure to find plenty of helpful information and advice at [www.18plus.at](http://www.18plus.at).

Sincerely,

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