

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) in collaboration with industry experts.

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WHAT DOES 18PLUS HAVE TO OFFER?

18plus encourages young people to consider the choice between a career and higher education while they are still in school. Specially trained teachers help them to discover their personal strengths and to identify and express their interests. At the same time, the pupils are introduced to a wide range of additional sources of information and advice.

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.

Sincerely,

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