

Youth Work Outcomes Model and the Scottish Attainment Challenge

The Youth Work Outcomes Model provides a clear and consistent way of articulating what young people achieve through youth work. A full list of outcomes and indicators, with guidance on how to use them in self-evaluation, can be found at <https://www.youthlinkscotland.org/policy/youth-work-outcomes/>. The table below can be used to help to schools understand how youth work outcomes contribute to closing the attainment gap.

Youth Work Outcomes	Indicators	Impact on learning/attainment in school	SAC Outcomes
Young people are confident, resilient and optimistic for the future	Increased confidence, communication skills, problem solving, resilience and optimism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased attendance and engagement with learning • Employability and skills development • Improved health and wellbeing 	Improved health & wellbeing
Young people manage personal, social and formal relationships	Can behave appropriately in different contexts and communicate effectively	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased attendance and engagement with learning • Employability and skills development 	Increased attainment
Young people create, describe and apply their learning and skills	Learn, use and articulate their skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased attendance and engagement • Wider achievement • Employability skills and leaver destinations 	Increased attainment
Young people participate safely and effectively in groups	Engagement in learning Working as a group/teamwork, communication skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased attendance and engagement • Employability and skills development 	Increased attainment
Young people consider risk, make reasoned decisions and take control	Decision making, responsibility for actions and ability to understand and manage behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased attendance and engagement with learning • Improved health and wellbeing 	Improved health & wellbeing Increased attainment
Young people express their voice and demonstrate social commitment	Youth participation/pupil voice, volunteering, social action,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased attendance and engagement • Employability and skills development • Wider achievement 	Improved health & wellbeing Increased attainment
Young people broaden their perspectives through new experiences and thinking	Young people engage in new experiences and with new ways of thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased attendance and engagement • Employability and skills development 	Increased attainment