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Press Release

COLLEGE OPEN DAY PROVES A BIG ATTRACTION

Would-be students had a chance to try out their skills in a whole range of activities at Cambridge Regional College's May Open Day.

With plumbing, brickwork and carpentry activities, engineering competitions, radio broadcasting and pizza-making all on offer, alongside a host of other demonstrations, visitors found plenty to inform and entertain them.

A Business and Retail display attracted a large amount of interest, and science experiments in CRC's laboratories also proved very popular. The new Catering, Hair and Beauty Academy – part of a £23million redevelopment on the site – was busy throughout the day, as were Sports and Public Services, along with a staffed army bus offering information on careers in the services.

Potential students and families were invited to tour the superb facilities on the campus and talk to tutors and lecturers about the courses available, as well as being able to discuss Apprenticeship programmes and Employment and Skills Training.

Several hundred people came to the Open Day, travelling from a wide area – the College takes students from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk.

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MEDIA ENQUIRIES:

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is the second largest provider of full-time education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has around 3,500 full-time and 6,000 part-time students. Students come in from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk.

Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes. The College offers the largest and most comprehensive range of vocational courses in Cambridgeshire, and has one of the largest Trains to Gain contracts in the Eastern Region.