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EMS FOR FURTHER EDUCATION COLLEGES

BACKGROUND

Further Education Colleges play a significant role in education delivery via a range of academic qualifications, apprenticeship programmes, vocational training programmes, adult skills programmes, higher education and continued professional development programmes. Each of these programme areas are delivered across a wide range of different age groups and abilities.

Recent educational reviews and white papers suggest that the management of the learning process is still broadly paper-based or through the use of multiple independent software systems. Neither of these is efficient in use of time and valuable resources or effective in providing quick, accurate information on learners' progress to inform intervention strategies

and to improve outcomes.

The new demands on Further Education Colleges set out a clear requirement to increase the use of integrated online software solutions to control and track the whole of a learner's journey with flexibility to handle a wide range of academic, vocational and work based courses. Immediate access to learners' progress online is vital for both College staff and for Employers to track and support the learning of their employees.

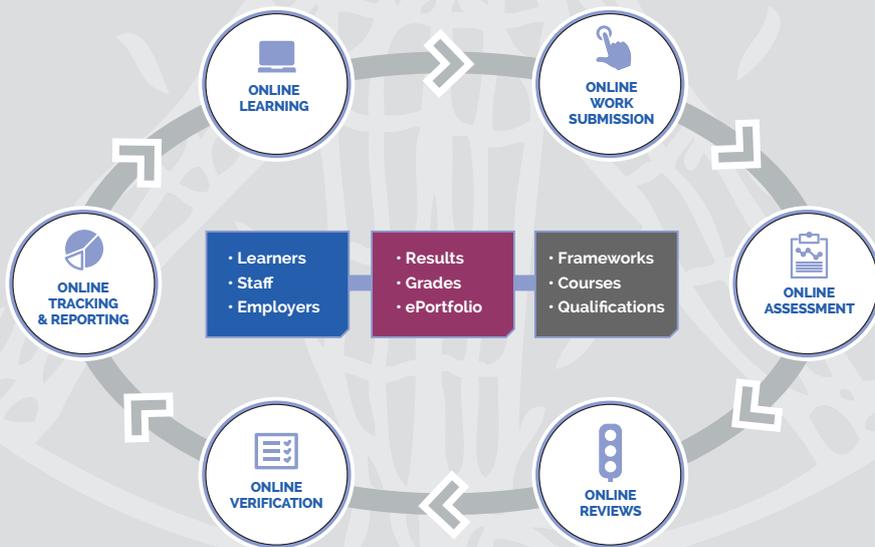
Investment in these systems is critical to ensure that Further Education Colleges are efficient, effective and capable of responding rapidly to the changing needs and funding of education delivery.

THE SOLUTION

The Education Management System (EMS) meets all of those requirements in one integrated online solution, compliant with the funding body guidelines of EFA/SFA and reducing dramatically reliance on paper-based processes such as assessments, reviews and attendance registers.

EMS is a flexible system developed with experience from over 100 Learning Providers and 60 colleges, is already implemented in more than 100 education organisations and is very competitively priced.

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HOW DOES EMS BENEFIT A COLLEGE ?

As a Further Education College, EMS can significantly enhance delivery and efficiency across the entire range of curriculum areas. With increasing pressure to deliver more outcomes for lower funding rates and a focus on increasing accessibility of learning via blended and online learning, the EMS can provide substantial benefits across the following areas:

Apprenticeships

EMS plays a key role in ensuring consistency of delivery in apprenticeship programmes. From one centralised system, the college is able to provide, manage and control online all aspects of both technical learning and work-based learning within apprenticeships. High quality standardised learning resources for the apprenticeship topic and optional functional skills together with online assessment processes, reviews and verification are ideal for the knowledge and understanding/technical areas of apprenticeships. For the work-based learning activity, EMS facilitates the whole process of evidence submission, work-based assessment/observation online or offline, formative and summative assessment against learning outcomes, reviews and verification. The learner's online portfolio is updated in real time with each and every document throughout the process.

To enhance management capabilities the EMS provides key information about learner progress, learner reviews, outstanding targets, time spent off and on the job training, success rate data plus a wide range of bespoke reports to ensure key monitoring and compliance outcomes are met. With the option to allow multiple levels of system access, EMS can also play a key role in ensuring employers are fully engaged in the learning process.

Academic & Higher Education

EMS enhances the learning experience for those seeking further academic qualifications by allowing access from college, home or elsewhere to high-quality interactive learning resources for their particular subjects and by improving significantly the speed and quality of essays and coursework submission and the marking and reviews process. With enhanced communication, online submission, marking, progress reviews and tracking, the system allows learners, staff and parents (where allowed) to clearly see progress being made by learners and classes against targets and time. The advanced features of online discussion forums and messaging create an outstanding supportive network helping learners to develop and excel in their chosen programme of study. Flexibility to develop courses via distance learning and blended learning can allow improved efficiencies in timetabling to improve recruitment, retention and success of learners. EMS facilities are ideal for enhancing practicality and flexibility in degree course study.

Increased Commercial Opportunities

EMS allows Providers to prepare for the funding reforms and reductions which are to be implemented over the next few years. The flexibility to deliver technical and vocational courses online and via blended learning allows Providers to respond effectively to an increasingly employer-led market. With capacity to deliver online courses nationally and internationally, EMS provides a substantial opportunity to maximise high quality delivery which remains cost effective and profitable. This helps remove the limitations of direct government-funded learning programmes.

Study Programmes

For each Study Programme subject and for supplementary courses such as functional skills, EMS enhances the learning experience by providing online access to a range of interactive learning resources which can be accessed in the classroom or at home. With online submission, marking, verification, reviews and progress tracking plus immediate communication between staff and learner, EMS allows learners and staff to monitor their progress against targets and time. The online portfolio stores everything relevant to a learner for easy access. EMS also has a comprehensive attendance registration system which enables the learners' study programme attendance to be monitored, allowing early intervention where learners miss planned sessions. The advanced EMS features create an outstanding support network which allows learners to develop and excel in their chosen programme of study.

Adult Skills Programmes

EMS can help significantly in breaking down barriers associated with low-skilled adults returning to Education by providing an engaging and accessible resource. With flexibility to deliver introductory modules, vocationally related courses, work skills and even literacy and numeracy support, EMS can be used as a mechanism to help engage non-typical clients and allow them to study at a pace and in an environment conducive to each individual. Using EMS to deliver blended learning packages provides an ideal platform to allow potential clients to gain confidence prior to attending in-person any workshop delivery.

Mandatory College Requirements

In addition to meeting the requirements of learners, EMS is an ideal platform to ensure staff are fully up to date with mandatory knowledge and training requirements. The library of resources will allow all relevant policies, procedures and resources to be shared with all staff regardless of their location. The flexible course structure will also allow non accredited CPD and mandatory training such as Health & Safety, Safeguarding and Prevent Training to be delivered and fully meet audit and inspection requirements, making the EMS the all-round solution for aspirational colleges.