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Nottingham University Samworth Academy

SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

“I made the decision of staying on at sixth form partly because of the teachers, the teachers know and understand how I work and helped me achieve everything I wanted, to be where I am today.”

Renee Brandy-Harris (Year 13)



Welcome to NUSA-16

Our Sixth Form College holds an important position in the wider community, educating and preparing our young adults to become positive and proactive individuals in the future.

At NUSA Sixth Form College you will study in an environment that will challenge, reward and ensure that you work to the highest standards allowing you to thrive. We drive our students by developing their growth mind set supporting their academic progress to ensure they achieve their best.

We are proud to have built strong links with local employers and higher educational providers that will benefit you along your journey to gain the very best opportunities for your chosen future pathway, whether for university, higher education or employment. Our college prides itself on specialising in BTEC courses with many of our students succeeding and going on to university life across the country.

Your teachers will combine your education with a wide and varied range of enrichment and curriculum opportunities that give you the very best education and preparation, therefore it is crucial we continue to support our students to develop high self-esteem and confidence, through a good education and inspiring opportunities into further/higher education or employment.

We look forward to working with ambitious students as we build an outstanding sixth form provision.

Leanne Fletcher
Head of Sixth Form

Why study a BTEC course?

BTEC vocational courses are demanding and require commitment and organisation as a basic expectation of the most respected applied learning qualification in the UK.

You will have to complete a range of units, assessments and exams that will be taught, researched, and marked, as you build a portfolio of your assignments. You can feel proud to achieve a BTEC because, whatever your plans in life—whether you decide to study further at university, go on to employment or an apprenticeship, or set up your own business—your BTEC National will be your passport to success in the next stage of your life.

You will have the opportunity to develop the following transferable skills throughout the BTEC units on all courses, all highly desirable in any career:

- **Teamwork**
- **Working on your own initiative**
- **Problem solving**
- **Business skills**
- **Planning**
- **Presentation**
- **Evaluation skills**



How do the qualifications provide transferable knowledge and skills for higher education?

All BTEC vocational qualifications provide transferable knowledge and skills that prepare you for progression to university.

The transferable skills that universities value include:

- **The ability to learn independently**
- **The ability to research actively and methodically**
- **The ability to give presentations and be an active group member**

How do these qualifications provide transferable employability skills?

Throughout the BTEC Level 3 units, there are opportunities for you to develop your employability skills through the following three main categories:

Cognitive and problem-solving skills

Using critical thinking, approaching non-routine problems, applying expert and creative solutions, using systems and technology

Interpersonal skills

Communicating, working collaboratively, negotiating and influencing, self-presentation

Intrapersonal skills

Self-management, adaptability and resilience, self-monitoring and development



“With my qualifications from sixth form I was accepted into all of my university choices including my first choice.”

Angel Carlisle-Brown (Year 13)

Student support

We know our students very well and because of this we can guide them through any worries or concerns they may have and support our students to progress on to the right courses that offers them the best chance of success.

We support and guide our students to be organised, adaptable, hard-working, good team members, and to develop their personal skills. You will take more responsibility for your own learning and become a more independent learner, which will act as a springboard for the next phase of your education or for employment.

You will be supported by a personal tutor and a dedicated sixth form team, helping to transform personal dreams and aspirations into reality.

At NUSA-16, we are pleased to offer the Duke of Edinburgh scheme if you are keen to take part in a life-changing experience. This exciting opportunity will give you the chance to discover new interests and talents. You will develop essential skills for life with this recognised mark of achievement, respected by employers.

You may have a few questions—here are a few answers that might help:

- **Students are encouraged to adhere to a smart dress code**
- **Students are responsible for the operation of the Student Bulletin and Student Tuck Shop**
- **You may be selected to be one of our College Ambassadors**
- **We offer discretionary bursary for students that qualify**
- **We are inclusive and provide the right support for all our students**
- **Students are allowed to leave site for lunch and return in the afternoon for their lessons**



“The support and affection you are given by teachers is amazing, they help you through tough times and are understanding; you never feel alone.”

Savannah Thornhill (Year 13)

Life at NUSA-16

College years are amongst the most exciting, inspiring and rewarding of any student's academic life.

Learning at NUSA Sixth Form is stimulating and rewarding as we aim to foster your intellectual curiosity and creativity. You will have the opportunity to explore in depth your chosen subjects and engage in exciting academic debate as you develop a higher level of thinking and increased independence of thought. You should expect to be challenged within a supportive environment and you should not be afraid of failing, as this forms part of your growth.

NUSA-16 is a time for you to develop a broader awareness and understanding of the world around you, helping you to achieve your dreams and prepare you for independence; ready for adult life. Our passionate team are dedicated to you, our students, and this is demonstrated in the strong relationships built within our Sixth Form, providing a solid foundation for growth in all our learners. You will become compassionate and resilient leaders; we believe that you have the potential to bring about positive change both within the local and global community.



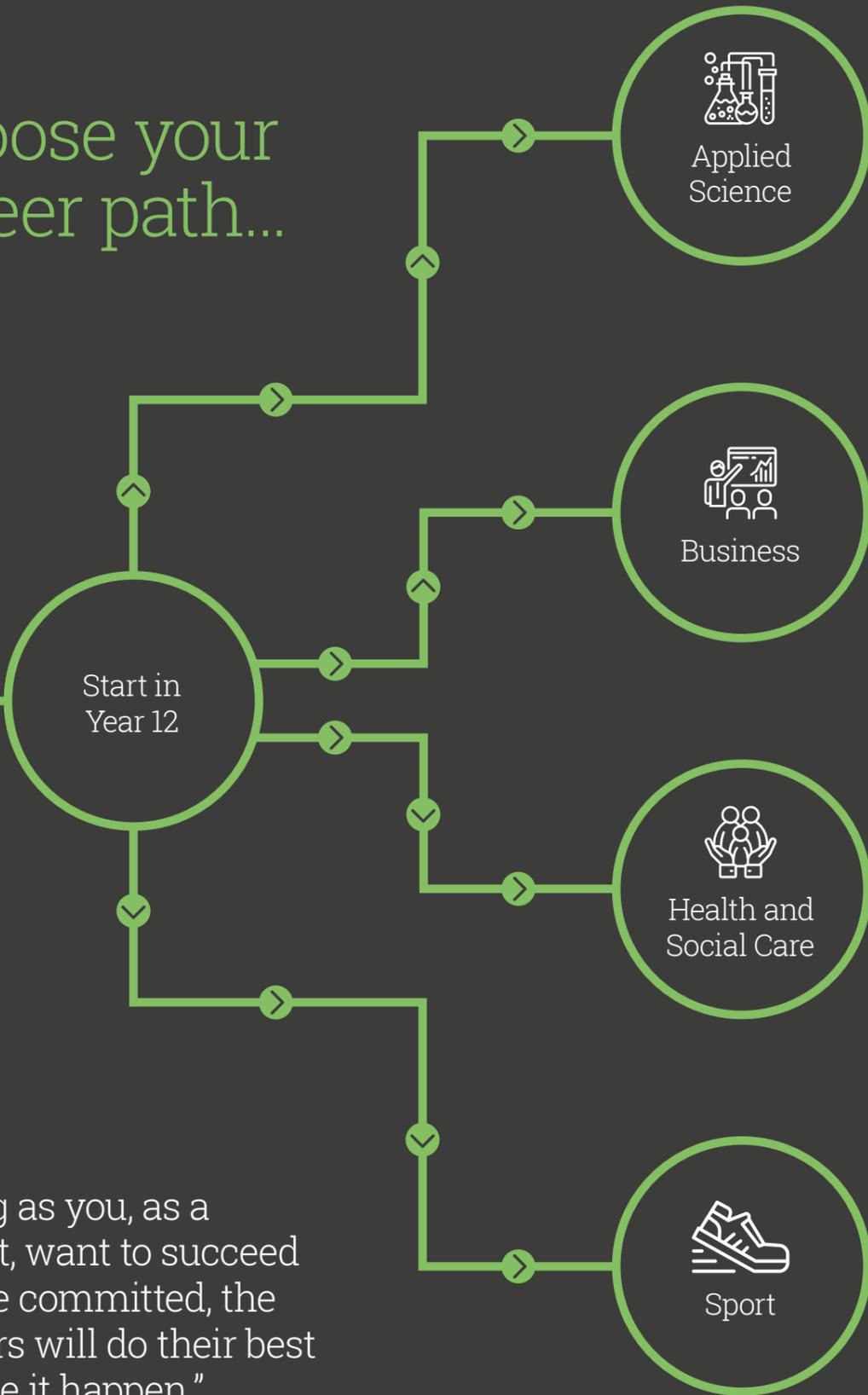
"It's a very different experience to how it was as a student in the main school. The members of staff at NUSA-16 respect and treat you as an adult."

Angel Carlisle-Brown (Year 13)

Choose your career path...

“As long as you, as a student, want to succeed and are committed, the teachers will do their best to make it happen.”

Lewis Walls (Year 13)



Applied Science

There is a broad and diverse range of careers within the science industry offering you the opportunity to make a difference to society. If you have an eye for detail, keen to develop practical laboratory skills, like to push boundaries and have the curiosity of new discoveries, this could be the course for you.

This two year course is the ideal pathway for those that have an interest in scientific development and the desire

to build knowledge, terminology and concepts in realistic situations. You will develop transferable skills which are valued by universities allowing you to demonstrate your ability to research, plan and present data developed through a combination of theory and practical laboratory lessons.

Visit nusa16.org.uk for more information about the BTEC Applied Science course



Business

Studying Business gives every learner the opportunity to develop an understanding of what is involved in becoming a business professional. Learners will gain a deeper understanding of a variety of businesses across the world, giving you the opportunity to look at areas of growth in finance, administration and management.

This qualification gives learners experience of the breadth and depth of the sector that will prepare them for further study

or employment, giving students the opportunity to progress on to a wide range of professional pathways in the business sector. This includes the opportunity for learners to choose several topics from a selection of options reflecting the progression pathways in business.

Visit nusa16.org.uk for more information about the BTEC Business course



Health and Social Care

The social care sector employs more than 1.49 million people and the demand for skilled workers is rising. Our course is designed for those wishing to pursue a career in health and social care. It will introduce you to a range of roles within the sector, occupational standards and universal principles of care, allowing you to decide which aspect of health and social care you would like to work in.

You will develop an understanding of the day-to-day

responsibilities of people who work in health and social care settings which will include following policies and procedures in place in the health and social care setting in which they work, healing and supporting the recovery of people and enabling rehabilitation.

Visit nusa16.org.uk for more information about the BTEC Health and Social Care course



Sport

The sports and leisure sector is a fast-growing area of the economy, its highly competitive, and offers a wide range of career opportunities for dedicated learners. This courses combines practical assignments and placements, which provides you with hands-on experience in the public, private and voluntary sector environments.

This qualification provides an introduction to the sector for learners looking to build a career in sport, within one of its

occupational areas. These areas include careers in exercise and fitness, coaching and leadership, sports development and the outdoors.

Visit nusa16.org.uk for more information about the BTEC Sport course

Apply for a place

Entry requirements

Minimum five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and Maths.

Other Level 2 pass qualifications are accepted as equivalent to a grade 4.

Apply online

We are currently accepting applications for September for Year 12 students.

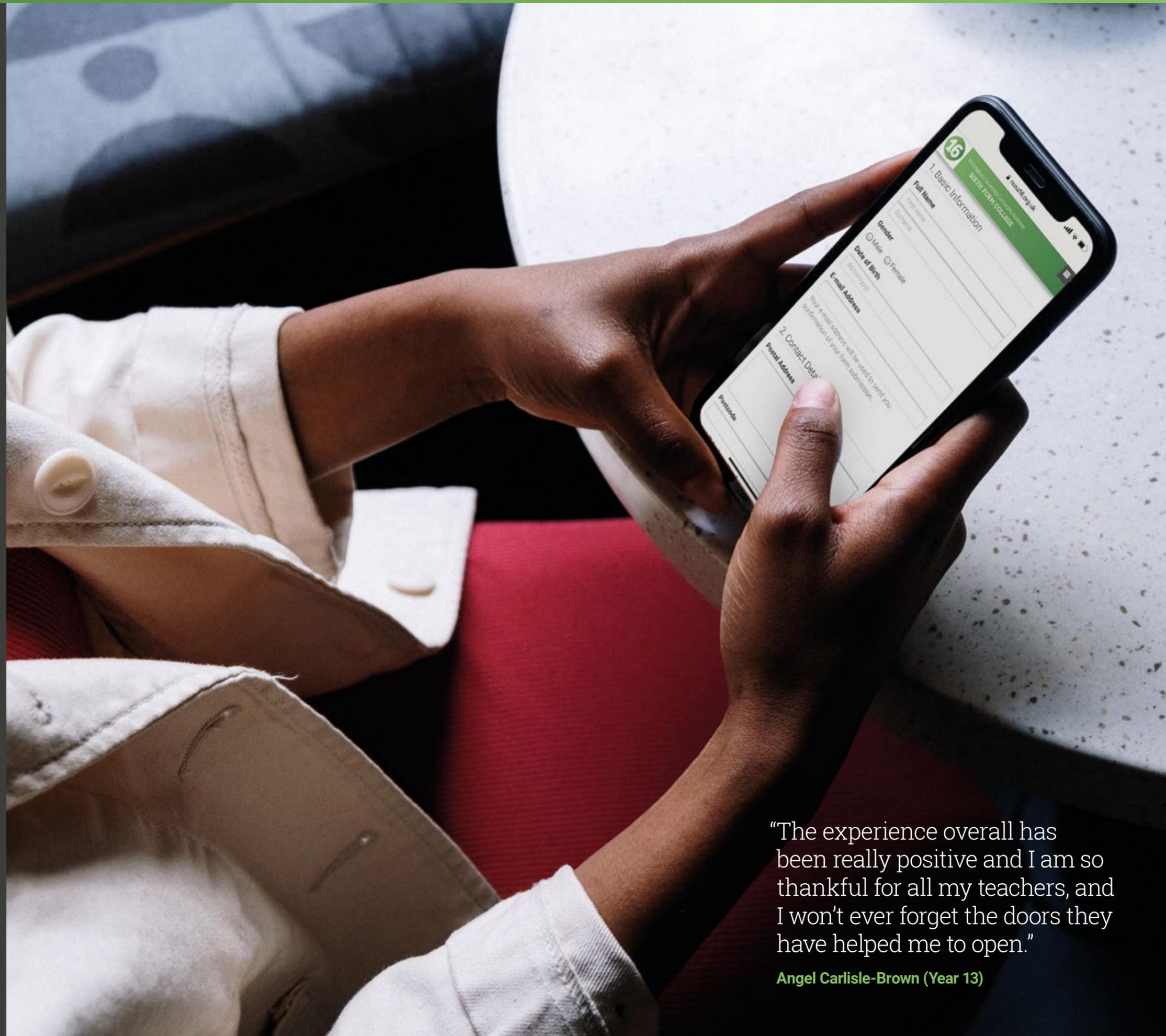
You can apply for a place at NUSA-16 directly via our website:

nusa16.org.uk/apply

Please complete all the fields on the application form and ensure you enter a valid e-mail address so that we can contact you.

Please read through this form carefully before you start to complete it. You will be required to complete your personal details, information about your qualifications and your provisional course choices.

If you are unable to apply online, please contact us for a paper application form.



“The experience overall has been really positive and I am so thankful for all my teachers, and I won’t ever forget the doors they have helped me to open.”

Angel Carlisle-Brown (Year 13)



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