

A Level Progression Policy 2014-15

The information contained below explains the College policy regarding students progressing from 1st to 2nd year of College.

Students are not automatically enrolled for the 2nd year of College as continuation is dependent on either AS results or BTEC Subsidiary coursework submission (please see overleaf) as well as achieving a satisfactory level of attendance of over 85%.

It is important that you are aware of the conditions at an early stage of the academic year: your son/daughter will be informed of these requirements via information emailed within College and also through discussion with their Progress Coach before the end of the Autumn term.

AS students select which three subjects they wish to continue to A2 level in June, the vast majority of students dropping one subject and therefore continuing with three subjects at A2. When results are received online in August, students can enrol online immediately for the A2 year of courses **as long as they have achieved a D grade or above in the subjects chosen in June and they still wish to continue with those options**. If students wish to change any of the subjects chosen and are qualified to progress in their desired subjects, they must come into College as soon as possible to discuss and organise the changes. If your son/daughter does not achieve the progression requirements, careers advice and guidance will be available in College immediately following results. It is therefore very important that students have access to the Internet on AS Results Day (13th August 2015) in order to enrol for 2nd year and that they are available to come into College as soon as possible if needed. We recommend that family holidays are not booked across the exam results date if at all possible. If this is unavoidable, please let College know in advance with the return date of the student from holiday.

If students are taking a **BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary** course as one of their subjects and they wish to continue to the 2nd year of the course, they must have submitted all their course work by the end of the summer term **and** gained at least a Pass grade.

All students continuing into the 2nd year at College must be able to progress as above onto 3 separate A2 or BTEC Subsidiary 2nd year courses.

If results and/or attendance are not of a standard to enable progression to 2nd year, the student will leave College at the end of the 1st year.

AS to A2 Progression Policy			
Summer AS Results	Action	Options	Impact
3 AS grade A to D (or more)	Progress to A2 in 3 subjects	If students wish to continue with 4 subjects to A2, interview takes place on AS results day or soon after	
Less than 3 AS grades A to D	No progression possible	Students who have less than 3 viable subjects of grade D or above will not be able to continue to 2 nd year	Student leaves College - careers advice is made available to help students make the best decision for the future.

BTEC Subsidiary Progression Policy			
Summer BTEC position	Action	Options	Impact
All Year 1 BTEC Subsidiary units submitted and passed by 1 st June 2015	Progression possible onto 2 nd year of course		
All Year 1 BTEC Subsidiary units submitted but not passed by 1 st June 2015	Students are required to re-submit work before the end of the summer term	Failure to bring the work up to a pass standard in all units prevents continuation onto the 2 nd year of the course.	College will ensure students are aware of this before the end of the summer term
All Year 1 units not submitted by 1 st June 2015	Student cannot progress with course	Lack of submission indicates that it is unlikely that the course will be passed. It would not therefore be in the best interest of the student to continue with their studies.	Student will need 3 alternative courses which meet the progression requirements or will leave College.