

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021

## Year 12 Progression Examinations

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

Dear Parent/Carer,

All Year 12 students will be sitting progression examinations between Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

The purpose of these exams is to ensure that students are at the required level to access the Year 13 curriculum. Students will need to achieve standards set by individual A Level and Vocational course departments to ensure progression onto Year 13 courses.

A Level students who do not meet these benchmarks may have a chance to retake their progression exam, if this is uncharacteristic of their performance throughout the year. Students studying vocational subjects will be given support to complete their units to the required standard. If students still do not meet the progress thresholds to go into Year 13, we will ask parents to come into the academy to discuss the way forward for your son/daughter. For some students this may mean dropping a course, for others it could mean restarting Y12 on different subjects and there may be instances where a student is unable to continue their studies at Southfields Academy.

Students have been told in assembly and by their tutors/subject teachers that these progression exams are coming up, and are well aware of the standards they need to meet to guarantee a place in Year 13. I would appreciate your support in encouraging students to prepare for these progression exams over the Half term break.

It is important that your son/daughter is preparing for these examinations at home. They should be revising using revision guides, their exercise books, revision websites and past papers, all of this information will be on Google Classrooms or examination board websites. All students have recently participated in a study skills sessions during dedicated time with their Form Tutor, during this time they have been reminded of a variety of revision and preparation methods that will help them with exam preparation, they should draw on these activities whilst carrying out their preparations.

The examination timetable is attached. Please read through it with your son/daughter to make sure they know when they need to be in and what they need for each examination. Please display a copy of the exam timetable at home and refer your son/daughter to the Year 12 Google Classroom for a copy.

Please help your son/daughter to do their best in the examinations by reinforcing the examination expectations outlined below:

- Arrive on time to all exams in appropriate dress (see Academy Sixth Form dress code).

Please note the start times – all **morning exams start at 9.45am** and **afternoon exams start at 1.45pm**. If students are late to exams they will not gain entry to the examination.



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- Line up sensibly in the playground before the start of each exam.
- Enter the venue in silence, put bags and coats in the allocated place in the hall and then take their seats as quickly as possible without talking.
- Have the correct equipment for each examination – at least 2 pens (should be black ink), pencils, rubber, ruler and any subject specific equipment necessary. This equipment should be kept in a plastic, see-through bag.
- Mobile phones must be turned off, and either left at home or in their bags. Phones cannot be in students’ pockets during exams.

**Students’ conduct in these exams must be perfect.** Failure to behave in any manner other than that may result in non-entry for final examinations at our centre.

I hope all students achieve well in these exams. Good results should show students what they are capable of achieving; poor results should encourage students to take responsibility for their progress and address where they went wrong.

**Upcoming Events and Dates:**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Students grades are available for you to see on 

UCAS event on the afternoon of Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July

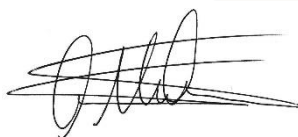
During the final week of term there will be an end of year celebration – more details to follow.

Many thanks in advance for your continued support.



Ms T. Gray

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