



2021-22

Poor Progress, U grades, and Y12 into Y13 Policy

Within sixth form we expect all students to be in the academy, learning 100% of the time. Students must be committed to their learning to ensure they receive the best outcomes for themselves. A levels are a huge step up from GCSE, but the second year of A Levels is also a challenge as content becomes increasingly more challenging. A levels are a progressive course and students **must** pass their first year (Y12) to be able to progress onto their second year in every subject.

We use mock exams, classroom assessments (formative and summative) etc. to inform our data collections and we use this data to track progress, plus feedback from teachers. We also communicate with parents and place student on action plans if we feel they are not meeting the expectations of courses, or look at possible withdrawal from courses.

U Grades

Following mock examinations and assessments, we discuss with students their progress and will only allow students to continue into Y13 if they pass their subjects (E grade). Parents will be part of any progress meeting which is had with the Head of Sixth Form and Pastoral Leader. A final decision on whether students can continue into Y13 will be made.

In order to continue with courses students will need to:

- Pass their end of Year 12* mock exam (July) with a minimum of an **E grade**
- Ensure they meet all deadlines and meet expectations of the commitment to learning policy

**students may also be withdrawn from courses before the end of Y12 if there are ongoing concerns with commitment to learning and progress. This decision will be based on evidence logged by the teacher (missed deadlines, attendance, homework, in class assessments, feedback etc.) and discussions with the student. Students need to make progress on their course. All students are on a probation period for the first 4 weeks of their course when they start in Y12 which will be reviewed by the HOS.*

Vocational Subjects

Students will need to ensure that they are completing all the units of work required in their first year to progress onto the second year of the course.