



The Sixth Form

November 2023

Dear Year 11 Students, Parents and Carers

**Beaminster and Colfox Joint Sixth Form Open Evening, 8th November 2023
at The Sir John Colfox Academy site, 6pm - 8pm**

Year 11 students are now considering the options open to them after GCSEs, and over the coming weeks we will help students by giving them as much information as possible about the different pathways that are available to them.

Our students are lucky to attend schools with their own **highly successful Joint Sixth Form**.

The Joint Sixth Form has a history of success. Results last summer exceeded those of other local institutions. In 2019, we were placed as the top-performing Post-16 provider for both academic (A Level) and vocational courses (BTEC) in the whole of Dorset. This success builds upon being in the top 25% of all Sixth Forms nationally in 2017 - one of only four Sixth Forms in Dorset to achieve this - and we were also the only Dorset Sixth Form to achieve an 'outstanding' grade for the progress of our students for three consecutive years.

It is important for students to consider a wide range of both subject and qualification options and to look at other providers. **However, the majority of students finishing Year 11 in recent years have chosen to remain with us and become part of our successful Joint Sixth Form**, and we currently have almost 200 students studying A Levels and BTECs.

We feel that the personal care and support we can give to individual students really sets us apart and we are particularly proud that all students who applied for university last year were accepted into a university of their choice.

We are therefore delighted to invite you to attend the Open Evening for the Joint Sixth Form on Wednesday 8th November on the Colfox Academy site from 6 - 8pm.

This event will provide an excellent opportunity to discuss possible subject choices with teachers from both sites, as well as current students. There will be presentations from the respective Headteachers and Heads of Sixth Form, and from current students.

The Sixth Form Prospectus will be available on the evening.

We do hope that you will be able to attend this important event to help students make an informed choice about their next steps and we look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 8th November.

Yours sincerely

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