

# **A LEVEL RESULTS DAY**

## **THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2017**

### **WHAT YOU NEED TO DO**

#### **OFFERS**

The universities you are holding offers from will have let you know early on the morning of 17<sup>th</sup> August via UCAS Track that they have confirmed your firm or insurance choice.

Note that even if you have not quite achieved the grades of the conditional offer made to you, the university may nevertheless have lowered its offer to you.

There is likely to be considerable pressure on places in certain high demand subject areas so you may not be informed of your confirmed offer immediately and will need to be patient and wait for the university to get in touch.

If you are unsuccessful you will be notified via Track and be eligible for Clearing. Should you have failed to meet the conditions of your offer, you may be made a changed course or offer for next year. This will be notified to you via Track. You are not obliged to accept this offer; however, you must accept or decline the change.

#### **CLEARING**

If you have not received an offer then you will be eligible to enter Clearing.

An "Add Clearing choice" button will automatically appear on your Track choices screen, which you can then use to apply for a course which still has vacancies on it.

See [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) for Clearing vacancies

Contact the universities direct – they will have advisers available to assist you and you will need your UCAS personal ID number and A Level/BTEC results to hand.

Do seek advice from the Sixth Form Team who will be here to help and support you on results day.

#### **ADJUSTMENT – What to do if grades are better than expected**

Applicants who have achieved better results than expected and not only met the conditions of their firm choice, but have exceeded them are eligible for Adjustment, which means they can "trade up" and apply for courses requiring higher grades.

Adjustment provides an opportunity to reconsider where and what to study.

Please see [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) for courses with places available.

Do seek advice from the Sixth Form Team on how best to approach Adjustment. The team have gone through this process before so can guide you through the process and support you as you make your important decisions.

## **GAP YEAR**

Should you decide not to accept the course you have been offered and wish to reapply during a gap year then you must withdraw your offer from UCAS. You can reapply for 2018 entry and should do this through school. However, you must let Mr Atkinson-Young know that you will be re applying as the school will need to write another reference for you and process your application form.

It is essential that you apply within the school's UCAS deadlines:

**15<sup>th</sup> October** for Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** for all other courses.

Subject to availability, you will be able to have **one careers appointment**, should you require help with your UCAS application or to explore all your options be sure to make an appointment with Mr Atkinson-Young or our UCAS support team who include; Mr Hill, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Jones as early as possible.

## **EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIPS**

Should you decide not to go to university and want to apply for employment and apprenticeships, there will be some fabulous opportunities available. For details of apprenticeship vacancies, visit: [www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk) or [aimapprenticeships.co.uk](http://aimapprenticeships.co.uk)

## **WHEN YOU HAVE CONFIRMED YOUR PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR**

**Inform School** – we are interested in your university destinations!

We do need to keep a record of the destinations of all our students. Please inform Mr Atkinson-Young or Miss Holloway about your plans, we have an Alumni questionnaire to find out about your time at university and to keep in touch with your future plans.

**Financial Support** – you should already have applied for financial help towards tuition fees and living costs. If you have not, then you should do so now otherwise you may be asked to pay the full cost of tuition and may not be able to get a student loan in time for the start of your course.

To apply you should go to [www.gov.uk/student-finance](http://www.gov.uk/student-finance)

**Change of course** – if, after having applied for financial help, you will be attending a different course and/or institution to those on your application form, you must contact Student Finance urgently to let them know.

**Arrange your accommodation** if you have not done so already. This is a priority and you need to contact the Accommodation Office at your university.

**Make your banking arrangements** – Consider doing this in advance so that your account can be transferred to a bank convenient to your university accommodation or campus. Banks near campuses have long queues at the beginning of term!

**GOOD LUCK!**

**DO KEEP IN TOUCH AND LET US KNOW HOW YOU ARE GETTING ON.**