



Varndean
College Brighton & Hove



RESULTS 2018

OUR SUCCESS

We are delighted with the success of our students who have once again maintained an impressive record of results.

- **1312 A Level exams were taken.**
- **Overall pass rate at A Level was 98.02%, with 49% achieving A*-B and 75% achieving A*-C grades.**
- **19 A Level subjects had a 100% pass rate.**

Visual Arts courses (Art, Graphic Design, 3D Design, Textiles and Photography) were once again particularly impressive. Out of the 250 entries, all subjects achieved a 100% pass rate with 94% of students achieving A*-C grades and 30.4% achieving the prestigious A* grade.

Varndean College also offers a comprehensive programme of A Level equivalent vocational courses, which many students take alongside traditional A Levels, and once again these results were equally impressive with an **total overall pass rate of 97%..**

Principal, Phil Harland, said; “We are extremely proud of the excellent results achieved by our students, particularly in light of the recent changes to A Levels which has made them even more challenging than before. Students and staff have worked extremely hard over the last two years and thoroughly deserve this success. Once again Varndean College looks set to have outstanding value added, as students have achieved higher grades than their GCSE results originally predicted.”

This A Level success follows on from Varndean’s second best ever **International Baccalaureate** results in July, when 42 IB Diploma students averaged 36.12 points, the equivalent to three A grades at A Level, with 13 students gaining 40 points or above. Seventy-five per cent of those applying to UCAS have acquired places at Russell Group universities, including three at Oxford and Cambridge and six studying Medicine. One student, Samuel Segal (ex Chailey School), gained an incredible maximum score of 45 points, putting him in the top 0.5% of students worldwide, and is now going on to study Medicine at Sheffield University. Portia Smith (ex Brighton College) gained 43 points and will be studying Medicine at Cambridge, Gemma Robson (ex Patcham High) gained 42 points and will be studying History at Oxford and Bruno Buckley (ex Hove Park) gained 39 points and will be studying History at Cambridge.

Last year’s IB Co-ordinator, Emily Board, couldn’t praise the students highly enough. “The International Baccalaureate Diploma is certainly a challenge but it produces confident and articulate young people who know a lot about the world around them and can really think for themselves. It’s been a great pleasure working with them all and we wish them all the success in their future careers. They are a real credit to the College.”

A2 EXAMINATION RESULTS (16-18)

	Board	Total Entries	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	A* - B	A* - C	A* - E
ANTHROPOLOGY	AQA	22	3	7	4	4	3	1		64%	82%	100%
ARCHAEOLOGY	AQA	9			2	2	3	1	1	22%	44%	89%
ART & DESIGN (3D DESIGN)	AQA	34	17	4	8	5				85%	100%	100%
ART & DESIGN (ART)	AQA	75	22	24	14	12	2	1		80%	96%	100%
ART & DESIGN (GRAPHICS)	AQA	52	9	17	11	7	6	2		71%	85%	100%
ART & DESIGN (PHOTO)	AQA	63	20	15	17	7	4			83%	94%	100%
ART & DESIGN (TEXTILE DES)	AQA	26	8	5	6	5	2			73%	92%	100%
BIOLOGY	AQA	51	1	6	9	13	13	6	3	31%	57%	94%
BUSINESS	AQA	37	1	3	10	14	3	6		38%	76%	100%
CHEMISTRY	OCR	45		5	8	13	10	9	0	29%	58%	100%
CLASSICAL CIVILISATION	AQA	27		2	8	8	7	1	1	37%	67%	96%
COMPUTER SCIENCE	OCR	23		5	5	5	3	4	1	43%	65%	96%
DRAMA & THEATRE STUDIES	OCR	18		5	7	6				67%	100%	100%
ECONOMICS	AQA	31	1	1	8	9	6	4	2	29%	61%	90%
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	EDEXCEL	76		5	26	32	10	2	1	41%	83%	99%
ENGLISH LITERATURE	WJEC	55	7	6	27	15	4		2	62%	89%	96%
EXTENDED PROJECT	EDEXCEL	29	2	13	9	2	3			83%	90%	93%
EXTENDED PROJECT PST MOD	OCR	1			1					100%	100%	100%
FILM STUDIES	WJEC	41	1	4	12	16	6		2	41%	80%	95%
FRENCH	EDEXCEL	10		2	1	3	2	2		30%	60%	100%
FURTHER MATHEMATICS	EDEXCEL	15	2	6	4	2	0	1		80%	93%	100%
GEOGRAPHY	EDEXCEL	32		2	4	11	12	3		19%	53%	100%
GERMAN	EDEXCEL	3				1	2			0%	33%	100%
GOVERNMENT & POLITICS	AQA	38	1	9	9	16	2	1		50%	92%	100%
HISTORY	EDEXCEL	76	1	6	18	27	21	2	1	33%	68%	99%
LAW	AQA	27	1	2	8	11	2	2	1	41%	81%	96%
MATHEMATICS	EDEXCEL	89	8	13	24	17	11	9	7	51%	70%	92%
MEDIA STUDIES	WJEC	36		1	8	12	9	5	1	25%	58%	97%
MUSIC (Option A)	WJEC	5				3	1	1		0%	60%	100%
MUSIC (Option B)	WJEC	1						1		0%	0%	100%
MUSIC TECHNOLOGY	EDEXCEL	13			6	2	3	2		46%	62%	100%
PHILOSOPHY	AQA	27	1	2	8	7	8	1		41%	67%	100%
PHYSICS	AQA	37		3	10	9	8	4	3	35%	59%	92%
PSYCHOLOGY	OCR	68	1	7	12	15	22	9	2	29%	51%	97%
SOCIOLOGY	AQA	86	5	13	21	22	16	6	3	45%	71%	97%
SPANISH	EDEXCEL	13	1	3	1	4	3	1		38%	69%	100%
WORLD DEVELOPMENT	WJEC	21	1	1	6	6	3	3	1	38%	67%	95%
TOTAL		1312	113	195	331	347	210	90	32	49%	75%	98.02%

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) RESULTS

	No of candidates	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Av.	World Av.
SUBJECT GROUP 1										
ENGLISH A: LITERATURE HL	26	5	12	5	4				5.88	4.72
ENGLISH A: LITERATURE SL	20	4	7	8	1				5.7	5.03
POLISH A: LITERATURE SL	1			1					5	
SUBJECT GROUP 2										
FRENCH B SL	8	3	3	1	1				6	5.18
FRENCH B HL	12	4	6	2					6.17	5.01
GERMAN B HL	6	1	3	2					5.83	5.78
GERMAN B SL	3		1	2					5.33	5.13
SPANISH AB.SL	4			2	1	1			4.25	4.96
SPANISH B HL	8	5	1	1	1				6.25	5.39
SPANISH B SL	7	1	3	2	1				5.57	5.08
MANDARIN SL	1	1							7	5.93
SUBJECT GROUP 3										
GLOBAL POLITICS HL	9	1	6	2					5.89	5.12
GLOBAL POLITICS SL	2		2						6	4.82
HISTORY HL	14	5	5	3	1				6.21	4.55
HISTORY SL	3		3						6	4.73
PHILOSOPHY HL	4	1	2	1					6	4.94
PSYCHOLOGY HL	11		5	5	1				5.36	4.69
PSYCHOLOGY SL	6	2	2		2				5.67	4.36
SUBJECT GROUP 4										
BIOLOGY HL	22	6	8	2	6				5.64	4.35
BIOLOGY SL	16	3	3	7	1	2			5.25	4.22
CHEMISTRY HL	14	4	2	2	5	1			5.64	4.46
CHEMISTRY SL	5		1	2	1	2			5.6	3.99
PHYSICS HL	1		6						6	4.65
PHYSICS SL	5	2		1	1	1			5.2	4.06
SUBJECT GROUP 5										
MATHS STUDIES SL	32	10	9	10	3	1			5.9	4.21
MATHEMATICS HL	2		2						6	4.75
MATHEMATICS SL	10	4	3	1	2				5.9	4.26
SUBJECT GROUP 6										
FILM HL	5	1	1	2		1			5.2	4.46
THEATRE HL	3		2	1					5.67	4.88
THEATRE SL	2		1	1					5.5	4.28
VISUAL ARTS HL	6	1	4	1					6	4.48
VISUAL ARTS SL	2			1	1				4.5	3.95

	Candidates	A	B	C	D	E
THE CORE						
THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE	45	2	25	15	3	
EXTENDED ESSAY	45	10	16	14	3	1

AVERAGE SCORE: 36.20
HIGHEST SCORE: 45.00
WORLD AVERAGE: 29.78

VOCATIONAL LEVEL 3

VOCATIONAL EXAMS EQUIVALENT TO 1 AS LEVEL	Pass Rate	Totals	D*	D	M	P	U
APPLIED LAW	100%	14	4	8	1	1	
BUSINESS	100%	15	3	6	5	1	
DANCE	100%	2	1		1		
TOTAL	100%	31	8	14	7	2	

VOCATIONAL EXAMS EQUIVALENT TO 1 A LEVEL	Pass Rate	Totals	D*	D	M	P	U
APPLIED BIOLOGY	95%	21	7	7	4	2	1
APPLIED LAW	90%	21	8	5	3	3	2
BUSINESS	100%	17	12	4	1	0	
COMPUTER GAMES DEVELOPMENT	93%	30	9	3	7	9	2
CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION	100%	31	9	6	11	5	
DANCE	100%	9	7	1	1		
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY	100%	1		1			
HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE	96%	23	2	5	9	6	1
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	100%	12	1	2	6	3	
PERFORMING ARTS	100%	15	9	3	3		
PUBLIC SERVICES	100%	2		1		1	
SPORT	100%	12	6	2	3	1	
TRAVEL AND TOURISM	93%	14	5	1	6	1	1
TOTAL	97%	208	75	41	54	31	7

VOCATIONAL EXAMS EQUIVALENT TO 2 A LEVELS	Pass Rate	Totals	D*D*	DD*	DD	DM	MM	MP	PP	U/ Partial
BUSINESS	100%	10	5	2	1	1	1			
HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE	92%	12	0	1	0	3	1	2	4	1
PERFORMING ARTS	100%	8	2	2	3		1			
PUBLIC SERVICES	85%	13	1		1	1	3	1	4	2
SPORT (Double)	100%	8	1	2		2	2	1		
SPORT (Triple)	100%	3	1		1	1				
TRAVEL AND TOURISM	100%	5		2	1	2				
TOTAL	95%	59	10	9	7	10	8	4	8	3

CACHE DIPLOMA EQUIVALENT TO 3 A LEVELS	Pass Rate	Totals	A	B	C	D	E	Partial
EARLY YEARS, EDUCATION & CARE	95%	22	6	8	4	3	0	1



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