

January 2023

Dear Student and Parent / Guardian (s)

We will soon be asking all of our Pre-advanced (GCSE/Level 2) students to submit an application form for the continuation of their studies at Varndean College from September 2023. This process takes place within the scheduled Tutorial sessions and will be the focus for the approaching weeks. All students will be asked to complete an online application form and will also be given the opportunity to hear from our Careers Team during these sessions to ensure they are making informed decisions about their progression pathway. Tutorial sessions are compulsory and all students should be attending these consistently.

In order for students to access a place at Varndean College at Advanced Level it is essential that they meet the following Progression Criteria:

Progression Criteria

- 90%+ Attendance
- Minimum of Merits in Vocational Studies (CTEC / BTEC qualifications)
- Minimum of Grade 4 in GCSE English / Maths
- Good Teacher / Tutor References
- Good effort grades on reports.
- Students on any Amber / Red Action Plans should have demonstrated significant progress in meeting their set targets.

This criteria is in place to not only help motivate students to achieve well this year but also because we recognise the academic demand of Advanced Level qualifications and the skills required to achieve.

I will be in touch with a conditional offer for students who are successful in their applications and interviews once this process has taken place. The final offer of a place is dependent upon results and is not able to be confirmed until after the results are published in late August.

It would be beneficial for all learners to use the Varndean website to explore courses they are interested in applying for and check that they meet the entry requirements for these ahead of the application submission.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this process or student progress please do not hesitate to get in touch with their Tutor or myself.

Yours Sincerely,



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