

## **Criteria for Entry into Year 13 of the Senior School in September 2020 (revised due to Covid-19)**

This policy will operate on a temporary basis for the 2020/21 academic year only.

The demands of Senior School are best met by pupils who have achieved a high level of competence that adequately equips them for A level study. The Board of Governors will consider applications of those pupils who will make a positive contribution to the life of Glenlola Collegiate School. However, places cannot be offered in situations where resources or facilities would be prejudiced. All pupils will sign their applications to Senior School and by doing so agree to adhere to the School Rules concerning behaviour, attitude, attendance and the wearing of school uniform.

### **1. The minimum criteria for entry to Year 13 are listed below.**

#### **GCSE Examination Performance**

- Under a scoring system of CCEA Grade A\*=4 points, A=3 points, B=2 points, C\*=1.5 points and C=1 point a total of 12 or more points are required at GCSE level. These passes should include at least a C grade in both English and Mathematics. (*for non-CCEA qualifications: Grade 9 = 4pts; Grade 8 = 3.5pts; Grade 7 = 3pts; Grade 6 = 2pts; Grade 5 = 1.5pts and Grade 4 = 1pt*)

**For entry into Year 13 in September 2020, the GCSE grades awarded by CCEA and other Awarding Authorities will be used in each subject to calculate the points value.**

- In cases where special circumstances apply, parents should provide medical and/or other reports in support of their application after results have been received in August.

#### **Individual Subject Requirement**

- Pupils are expected to study a minimum of 3 AS subjects. For any subject they wish to take to A-Level, pupils will normally be expected to have demonstrated a sufficiently high level of competence in the subject (or related subject/s) at GCSE as evidenced by performance data collected during the course of their GCSE studies.
- In some subjects, it is advisable that a very high level of competence can be evidenced before embarking on A-level study.
- For each AS subject chosen, pupils must have engaged to a reasonable degree from week 2 of May until the end of term, with the work set for the subject at AS level .

#### **General School Record**

- Each applicant must have demonstrated a positive attitude to the School and to their work, and must also have achieved a minimum overall attendance of 90% (in normal circumstances) up to the date on which School Closures took effect in March 2020.
- Where subjects are oversubscribed, selection will be based on evidence of a high level of competence in the subject (or related subject/s).
- In the case of applicants from other post-primary schools a general report or reference will be required in addition to the criteria set out above. This report must include a summary of the pupil's academic and attendance records as well commenting upon their general behaviour.
- Pupils may be disqualified from entry into Senior School if general adherence to School rules has been an issue. Entries in the Behaviour Management System and subsequent detentions may result in a pupil not being given a place.
- In cases where special circumstances apply, parents should provide medical and/or other reports in support of their application.