

# **GLENLOLA COLLEGIATE**

# **Criteria for Entry into Senior School**

The demands of Senior School are best met by pupils who have achieved a GCSE profile 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.
- In the case of non-CCEA GCSEs, scores will be allocated as Grade '9' = 4 points, Grade '8' = 3.5 points, Grade '7' = 3 points, Grade '6' = 2 points, Grade '5' = 1.5 points and Grade '4' = 1 point.
- In special circumstances it is at the discretion of the Board of Governors to consider offering places to pupils who have achieved less than 12 GCSE points.
- In cases where special circumstances apply, parents should provide medical and/or other reports in support of their application.

## **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 meet the GCSE grade and other requirements specified for that subject (Appendix A). This information is made available to pupils in Year 12.
- In some subjects, it is advisable that an A grade be achieved before embarking on A-level study. Appendix A details the GCSE grade and other requirements for entry into each AS subject. This information is also available in the Subject Choice Booklet (distributed to all Year 12 pupils in the Spring Term) and posted on the School website.
- Pupils should note that a minimum of 20 GCSE points is recommended if they wish to study 4 AS subjects.

#### **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 start of Study Leave in Year 12.
- Where subjects are oversubscribed, selection will be based on marks achieved at GCSE Level in that subject and/or a pupil's overall performance.
- 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.

# 2. The minimum criteria for entry to Year 14 are listed below.

### **AS Examination Performance & General School Record**

- Applicants to Year 14 should attain a minimum of 30 AS points (based on the UCAS tariff system: A=20, B=16, C=12, D=10, E=6). For A-level specifications which do not offer the option of an AS cash-in, internal examination results in Year 13 will be graded and the corresponding points will be awarded.
- It is expected that pupils study a minimum of 3 subjects at Glenlola Collegiate in Year 14.
- In cases where the minimum AS points requirement has not been achieved, the opportunity to repeat Y13 may be offered at the discretion of the Principal where it is believed that it is in the best educational interests of the pupil to do so. This offer may be conditional on a review of subjects studied.
- In addition to achieving 30 AS points, pupils must also have displayed an acceptable attitude and commitment to their Year 13 studies. High levels of attendance as indicated above for Year 12 Entry form part of a pupil's commitment to their work.
- Pupils may not be offered a place in Senior School if effort in studies and/or general adherence to School Rules has been an issue.
- Entries in the Behavioural 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.