



Sir Jonathan North Community College

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Dear Parent/Carer

### Re: GCSE Options for Year 9 Students

Please find attached the GCSE Options form. This has been produced from the responses to the Options survey to ensure as many students as possible can select their favourite subjects. Whilst many students will be very clear about the subjects they wish to study further, not all will and I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of the support available and the next steps in the process.

- On Thursday 22 February, parents have the opportunity to meet individual subject teachers to discuss their daughter's progress.
- Throughout February and March, all Year 9 students will have an interview with a senior member of staff to discuss their potential choices and to provide direction if required.
- Over the next few weeks students will participate in the taster lessons that they selected earlier in the term.
- Connexions will meet with students that are referred to discuss possible careers and provide guidance.

The completed form is to be returned to your daughter's tutor no later than Friday 20 April. Whilst handing the form in early does not gain any preferential treatment in terms of choices, handing it in after the deadline may well affect their allocation. This deadline enables students to think carefully about their choices and I would encourage students not to rush in making those decisions until they have completed their taster lessons and interview.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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