

WIRRAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

A Business & Enterprise School for Boys

Joining the Wirral Grammar School Sixth Form : 2012

WELCOME

We are very proud of the standards that our students achieve each year. In a climate of ever increasing competition for University places our students perform well. The vast majority (well over 80%) gain either their first or second choice of University and course.

Each year we welcome boys from other schools into our Sixth Form. Students join us from all over Wirral, Ellesmere Port, Neston and as far afield as Chester. Our prime concerns are that students are committed and determined to work hard. Our programme of tailored individual support means that each student is guided and assisted throughout the 2 year course.

Please note that on Monday 23rd January 2012 we will be holding our Sixth Form Information Evening. This will be an opportunity for prospective students to look around the school and meet with subject staff. The evening is for both Year 11 students who currently attend Wirral Grammar School and for students who attend other schools. The closing date for applications for 2012 entry this year is Tuesday 28th February.

Entry arrangements

Our Sixth Form specialises in academic A Level subjects. Our guidance entry level is a minimum of 6 grade Bs at GCSE. In considering applications we also take into account aptitude and commitment and performance in relation to target grades. We will always be prepared to discuss Sixth Form entry with a student who worked hard to gain his grades but narrowly missed securing 6 grade Bs.

Students who wish to join from other schools should first make an appointment to meet with Mr Mike Askew (Deputy Headteacher: Sixth Form). The initial visit will involve an informal meeting and an opportunity to look around the school. Following this visit and receipt of an application form, a 'confirmation of offer' letter will be sent detailing how the place can be confirmed on results day. Students from other schools are welcome to visit at any time with prior arrangement. Please email maskew@wirralgrammarboys.com.

Students who already attend Wirral Grammar School will be guided on application arrangements through briefings in school assemblies.

What makes the Wirral Grammar School special?

Our sole purpose is to get students to where they need to be at the end of the two years. For most that will be a place at University; for others it may be a high level apprenticeship. Students will be set challenging targets and will be closely monitored. Our Sixth Form has a strong 'business ethos' and this reputation extends beyond the school. Over the years we have

established highly effective links with leading universities and admissions tutors come to our school to meet with students.

Each year we organise visits to universities, including Oxford and Cambridge. In a typical year, around 6 students will gain an Oxbridge place and between 5 and 10 will go to medical school.

Keeping parents informed

Aside from the three progress reports each year, a written report and a Parent's Evening, we also hold regular information briefings for parents and these include:

- Introduction to Sixth Form study: September of Lower Sixth
- Guide to University Admissions and Finance: Spring Term of Lower Sixth
- Guide to Student Loans: Autumn Term of Upper Sixth

To find out more

Please look through the Sixth Form area of our school website. Here you will find our most recent Sixth Form Prospectus which is up-dated every year and a downloadable application form.