

UCAS CURRICULUM STATEMENT 2023.

The following information is provided to assist University Admissions Tutors and admissions personnel to gain a picture of the curriculum provision at Wirral Grammar School for Boys in relation to student applications.

Wirral Grammar School for Boys is a selective grammar school which became an academy during 2011. The school has a wide catchment area and the sixth form welcomes external applicants each year; boosting our roll to around 280 students in years 12 and 13. Typically, around 90% of students progress to HE, with an increasing number successful in obtaining degree apprenticeship places. Most students applying in 2022 will offer eleven GCSE qualifications. Less than 3% of Y13 are eligible for FSM and 2% receive 16-19 bursary. For more details of our curriculum model, entry and certification policies please see our school website.

In common with other centres, most of our Y13 students were not in school from January - March 8th 2021, during their Y12 studies. During this further period of lockdown, all students were taught and monitored via live lessons and tutorials delivered through MS Teams. This cohort did not sit external examinations at GCSE during the summer of 2021 but were awarded Centre Assessed Grades.

Our standard curriculum is three subjects chosen for A level study in Year 12, continued through to Year 13. Some students will study for additional qualifications including the AQA Extended Project, MOOCs, or an extra A level subject, usually Further Mathematics. Subject class sizes range from 3 (Computer Science) to 51 (Mathematics) (2022-3)

Estimated grades are largely, but not entirely based on internal examinations taken in June of Y12. These examinations were held in June 2022. The results from these examinations, along with consideration of term time attainment, prior attainment and teacher professional judgement against national standards form our estimated grades.

There are a range of extra- curricular opportunities available including music, drama, sport, (primarily rugby, hockey, cricket), volunteering opportunities, SSAT training and Duke of Edinburgh (up to Gold Award). Certifications and awards arising from these activities will be detailed on student application forms.

Further information regarding our curriculum model, entry and certification policies can be requested via schooloffice@wirralgrammarboys.com FAO Mrs L Ahern Assistant Headteacher / Head of Sixth Form.