

# Information for Y11 Students/Parents/Carers about post-16 applications via UCAS Progress



Please note that students should have completed their UCAS Progress applications for post-16 courses by **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019**. This deadline must be kept to so that the school has time to process applications before the official deadline.

**All applications will be sent off in January**, once students' estimated GCSE grades have been inputted by the school, together with results already obtained. **Please note that estimated grades will not be altered during the application process.**

Please note that you do not need to add references or referees to your profiles. You should, however, ensure that your profiles are accurate and complete. Your application cannot be sent off without a Personal Statement.

Your UCAS applications will say 'pending' or 'awaiting profile approval' until Mr Fahidi or Mrs Cooke have checked your profile and sent it off, so don't worry! Please bear in mind that there are 240 students in Year 11, so they cannot all be checked at once!

If you have forgotten your password you should email Mr Fahidi ([m.fahidi@highstorrs.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:m.fahidi@highstorrs.sheffield.sch.uk)) or the **Careers Adviser Mrs Cooke** ([acooke@highstorrs.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:acooke@highstorrs.sheffield.sch.uk)) via the school email system. The UCAS website itself ([www.ucasprogress.com](http://www.ucasprogress.com)) provides a lot of useful guidance, including a video and guide. If you have any queries please email Mr Fahidi. Mrs Cooke, is available in the Careers Office **AU4 (next to Science lab U28)** on Monday and Tuesday lunchtimes for help and advice until the end of January. **You can also call in to see someone in the Sixth Form office next to NU5 during any lunchtime or after school.** Careers interviews are underway at the moment and all students will have seen Mrs Cooke before the application deadline.

## Notes about Sixth Form Applications

**If you only want to apply to High Storrs Sixth Form and your estimated grades match the entry requirements, you do not need to apply to any other Sixth Forms as you will receive an offer. Your High Storrs offer will come via UCAS Progress.**

You should apply for subjects/courses in your priority order (subject you most want first). **There are no Options Blocks for High Storrs, but there may be for other schools.** If there is a clash, you will be notified via the UCAS Progress messaging system. Remember that you cannot now guest at any other school or college.

For applications to Sixth Forms other than High Storrs, the Local Authority will send a letter of an offer of a place after the **25<sup>th</sup> February 2019**. You will have until **11<sup>th</sup> March 2019** to accept or decline this offer. **An offer of a place (or otherwise) will also be sent via the UCAS Progress messaging system.**

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**You will only receive an offer from one Sixth Form.** You can apply for up to three Sixth Forms but it is not necessary, **but you must put them in order of preference on UCAS.** If you do apply for High Storrs as number one choice, and you meet the entry requirements, your other choices will be rejected anyway. **You can however, accept a Sixth Form and a College place.**

If you are choosing an external Sixth Form as your first choice, it is highly advisable to put a second and third choice Sixth Form in case you do not get offered your first choice. This is because if another Sixth Form is oversubscribed offers go on the distance that you live from a school. If you don't get an offer from your first choice you will receive either your second or third choice, assuming that you meet the entry requirements.

**If you are not offered a place at any Sixth Form, and have not applied anywhere else, you are strongly advised to do so as soon as possible e.g. to college and High Storrs will help you to do this if necessary.**

**You should consider your GCSE grades and other qualifications carefully and think whether they are suitable for studying A Level Courses.**

All information relating to applying to High Storrs Sixth Form is available on the school website and the Sixth Form Prospectus. Students are encouraged to pop in to see a member of the Sixth Form team if they have any questions and to collect a copy of the Prospectus if they do not already have one. You can of course find information for all Sixth Forms and other post 16 providers via their websites.

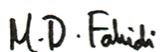
### **Applications to providers other than sixth form**

**You can only apply for one full time Sheffield College course, although you can apply to other colleges as well, such as Chesterfield College.** You can apply for as many apprenticeships as you want. You should only apply for one course if you know it's definitely what you want to do and you are clearly on course to get the entry qualifications.

**Please note you can keep track of all your applications by logging onto [ucasprogress.com](https://ucasprogress.com) regularly.**

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