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### **Description of the College and Community**

Godalming College is a state funded, Sixth Form Academy with around 2000 full time students aged 16 - 19 years old. We are situated in the suburban town of Godalming in the county of Surrey, 38 miles south west of London. We offer a wide ranging curriculum of A Level and BTEC courses and tailor study programmes to meet individual student needs, abilities and interests. The majority of our students study 3 advanced level courses and we also encourage participation in our +enrichment programme in order to broaden their learning experiences. Predicted grades are informed by assessing student performance in major benchmark assessments throughout their first year.

**Admissions Policy:** We are an open-access college and accept students from a wide variety of schools. Over 3/4 of our intake is from state funded comprehensive schools. We do not select by ability but students need to achieve a minimum of 5 GCSEs, grades 9-4, to access A level and Level 3 BTEC courses, however some individual courses have specific GCSE grade requirements.

**Covid Closure:** In response to the closure of schools and colleges, we progressed to remote learning immediately following the 2020 Easter break. We were able to continue teaching and learning through the use of Microsoft teams and our VLE, Godalming Online. Tutorial provision was similarly delivered remotely and students were encouraged to continue with the university application process.

The College was able to determine predicted grades through a series of regular Benchmark Assessments which track student progress each half-term from October. The final benchmark assessments in April and June were conducted remotely and Annual Review Grades were determined on the basis of all assessments throughout the academic year. The predicted grades were determined using the Annual Review Grades alongside the student's approach to learning before and after lockdown. Extended Project Qualifications were started at the end of year 12 and therefore the Autumn term is too soon to be able to provide an accurate predicted grade.