

## Entry Policy 2021

For September 2021 the College will guarantee a place to all applicants who achieve 44 points or more from their best 8 GCSE results.

Students who achieve 40 points or more are guaranteed a place on a mixed programme i.e. a programme that combines a Diploma and A level. It may be that a student's GCSE profile and subject choices would make an A level programme the right choice for them but this is not guaranteed.

There will be the opportunity for students who have not yet achieved a grade 4 in either English or maths to resit to improve their grade during their time at Winstanley.

The College will advise students on subject choices and combinations that best match their GCSE profile and may require specific grades in specific GCSE subjects in order to progress enrolment.

### **Applications Deadline**

Normally only applications received in College by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021 will be considered

### **Enrolment**

We aim to finalise our admissions procedures by the end of Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021. If you don't attend your enrolment interview (the date and time for this is stated in your offer letter) we will assume you no longer wish to take up our offer of a place. If you will be on holiday on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021 please contact us beforehand to arrange a later enrolment date. You must also arrange for your results to be sent to the college by 5pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021. This can be done by:

- telephone 01695 633244
- email [admissions@winstanley.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@winstanley.ac.uk)

### **Appeals**

Requests for special consideration should normally be accompanied by support from the applicant's school and be made in writing to the Deputy Principal, Debbie Owen. Appeals for special consideration will be heard by the Appeals Panel if received before GCSE results are published. Only in exceptional circumstances is the College able to hear appeals made after GCSE results have been published. Please note that normally, the College will give preference for its limited places to Year 11 school leavers.

## How to calculate your points

GCSE grade	Points	Level 2 Vocational Qualifications (counts as one of eight quals)
9	9	Distinction*
8	8	Distinction
7	7	-
6	6	Merit
5	5	Pass
4	4	-
3	3	-
Grades lower than 3 do not count towards the best 8 total		

- You can include one vocational course in your eight qualifications. This qualification needs to be at level 2, normally called a Certificate or a Diploma
- Half GCSEs will generate half the points for the grade indicated for full GCSEs
- Please enquire about relevant points if you have completed an A level at school
- If you are in doubt about the progression value of a specific course, please contact the College's admissions office at the earliest opportunity.

**Although general ICT qualifications such as ECDL, AIDA, CIDA, DIDA and CLAIT etc. are very much worth doing, they do not usually count as GCSE equivalent qualifications for entry to Winstanley College**