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30 March 2020

Dear student applicant,

Re: 6th Form enrolment - COVID-19

I hope that this letter reaches you in good health and good spirits.

You will have probably received a letter from your Headteacher explaining the current guidance for students who were due to take exams and complete courses this summer. We are still awaiting further guidance from the DfE on how grades will be awarded and during this time, I am sympathetic to the fact that some students may be worried about how these changes may affect their options post-GCSE. I want to reassure you that the 6th Form team here at Southborough High School is here to answer any questions you may have about your place in September.

The conditional offer that we made to you (after your interview) took into account your history of assessed grades as well as the progress that you were likely to make in the lead up to exams. We know that many students make their greatest progress in the final stages of Year 11, as the exams draw nearer. With exams being cancelled this year, during your final preparations, you may be worried about how this might affect your 6th Form place. We want to reassure you that we are doing everything we can to make sure you are not disadvantaged by these unprecedented circumstances and that our admissions policy will support you at this challenging time.

At this stage, our enrolment dates and processes will remain unchanged (see below), but this is dependent on the duration of school closures and new GCSE results date (tbc). I will communicate again should this change.

Enrolment is due to take place on the following dates - times:

- 20th of August 0900-1200hrs
- 3rd of September 0900-1200hrs

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We are looking forward to you joining the 6th Form at Southborough High School in September, and we hope that the information in this letter helps to alleviate any stress associated with your future as a student here.

Please do get in touch if you have any concerns or queries. We will endeavour to get back to you ASAP with a personal response.

Kind regards,

David Sanders

Head of 6th Form
Southborough High School

