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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 received the letter from Mr Smith (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 are here to support each and every Southborough student, whether you have applied and are planning on taking up your place at our 6th Form, or you are moving on to an apprenticeship or other education provider.

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 students that we are doing everything we can to make sure they 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 2020 0900-1200hrs
- 3rd of September 2020 0900-1200hrs

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As a Southborough student, you can take comfort in the knowledge that we know you. We know your strengths, we know your potential and we know how hard you have worked to this point. We also know what is best for our students, and will endeavour to provide the most appropriate educational pathway for each individual applicant, taking into account your personal circumstances and information discussed at your 6th Form interview.

I hope that this information helps to alleviate any stress associated with your future as a student at Southborough.

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

