



Sixth Form BfL

An introduction to the Post-16 Behaviour for Learning (BfL) policy which is different to systems in Yr11 and in different schools.

If things are going well and students are meeting the expectations of their teachers, they will not experience the BfL policy. However, if students fail to meet the expectations of teaching staff and the school, the BfL policy will be used.

Our aims

- To ensure all students are able to make progress towards their personal best
- To provide consistency and clarity across all departments – making sure that all students are treated fairly and given the chance to improve and make progress
- To improve our communication with parents – informing you of the small things before they become big things!
- To create a system whereby students are supported by their form tutors, subject teachers, heads of department and the sixth form team

What will happen

- If a student fails to hand in a piece of homework without an appropriate reason, you will be sent a text message to inform you. We don't expect you to contact the school but would welcome your support at home helping your son/daughter to rectify the situation quickly
- If a teacher feels there are low level issues – a missed homework, punctuality, absence from lessons, arriving without important equipment, poor behaviour in class for example – the student will be placed on **Level 1**. This is a formal, verbal warning and their form tutor will be informed so that they can support the student to get back on track quickly.
- If problems persist, the student will be placed on **Level 2** – at this point the class teacher will write, email or call you to let you know about the issue
- Should there be no improvement or an escalation of concerns, the student will be placed on **Level 3** – the Subject Leader will discuss the issues with them, you will receive further communication and the student will be placed on subject report to monitor the situation more closely
- Finally, should the above fail to rectify issues, the student will be placed on **Level 4** and a meeting will be called so that student, parents and the sixth form team can reach an agreement on ways forward

The vast majority of our students will not experience the BfL policy at all during their time in the Sixth Form and it is worth noting that last year just 2 students reached Level 4 and only a handful were placed on Level 3. We believe this system is effective in helping students to understand where issues may lie in order to make progress (with support) in putting them right.

We thank you in anticipation of your support