

POST RESULTS ADVICE

Exam Results issued - Thursday 13 August 2026

POST A LEVEL COUNSELLING AVAILABLE AT THE COLLEGE:

- College will operate an advice service from 13 August. **Careers specialists and senior staff will be available to help students secure a university place and for general advice and guidance.** An in person service will operate on results day but students may have to wait to be seen. Please email careersoffice@colchsfc.ac.uk if you wish to talk about progression and university, about applying, clearing and looking for other places to go.
- Please contact exams@colchsfc.ac.uk for information about your results, help on resits etc.
- Please contact your Senior Tutor via STSupport@colchsfc.ac.uk if you wish to talk to them about your place at college.

WHAT TO DO ON RESULTS DAY

1. **Check the UCAS hub - you might have a place at your first/Insurance choice even if your results have dipped.**
2. Check your A level results on CEDAR – download a copy as CEDAR will disappear in Sept
3. If you are not placed at your firm or insurance you are now in clearing -University's with places want to fill them – phone them and see if they will accept you.
4. If you did not complete a UCAS application but want to go to university then you can – apply through clearing – Once you have a clearing offer you want you will need to complete a UCAS application and Student Finance but these do NOT take long.
5. If your results are a lot lower see if a university has a course with a foundation year – this is a good option and normally better than trying to retake your exams the following year.
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ADVICE FROM UCAS: Results, Confirmation and Clearing:

- **UCAS HUB.** This gives access to the applicant's individual record via the UCAS website.
- Telephone calls to institutions: **if the student has met the conditions of the offer there is no need to ring; students should look at their UCAS HUB.**
- Applicants who have met the conditions of their firm choice will be placed there.
- Applicants who are unsuccessful at their first choice but meet the conditions of their insurance choice will be placed at the latter.
- **Confirmation:** Higher Education Institutions make final decisions on the conditional offers made to applicants earlier in the year. If an applicant has met the conditions UCAS HUB confirm their place. The HUB will advise the applicant if they need to take any further action. If applicants do not achieve the grades specified in their conditional offer **it is still possible that their place will be confirmed or that they will be offered a place on a different course.** Applicants only have five calendar days to reply to a changed course offer
- If no decision has been made it means that you might be on a waiting list – contact the university for clarification.
- **Applicants are expected to honour their commitments at Confirmation** but can use UCAS HUB to decline their place. Requests for a change of course or deferred entry should be made direct to institutions.

CLEARING:

Students who have not been placed at either their Firm or Insurance choices.

Students need to find out which courses have vacancies either on the UCAS website or from university websites and then contact universities and colleges to discuss the possibility of gaining a place. UCAS advises that students should treat the process as a mini interview. Because students will deal directly with

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University admissions staff in Clearing, nothing can be gained from a speculative phone call with little or no understanding of the course or university. If a university or college provisionally offers an applicant a place in Clearing, they'll usually give them a date by which they must enter the course details in their UCAS HUB. Applicants can contact different universities and colleges to discuss vacancies and may be informally offered several places. They will need to decide which offer to accept as they can only enter one choice. Applicants aren't eligible for Clearing until both the firm and insurance providers have confirmed that they will not offer places. If there's a significant delay, they should contact the universities or colleges directly to discuss this. Or the student can remove themselves from these universities via their UCAS HUB.

For more information on the Confirmation and the Clearing processes visit the UCAS web site.

Applicants should not be away on holiday when the results come out. They should be available to handle in person whatever situation may arise.

STUDENT FINANCE:

- Matters relating to student finance should be referred directly to Student Finance England. Applications for financial support towards tuition fees (fee loan) and living costs (maintenance loan) to be completed [on-line](#). Requested evidence/ documents should be sent to Student Finance England. Deadline for finance to be guaranteed for the start of the course was 14 May.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

- Sixth Form College - 01206 500700
- UCAS helpline - 0371 468 0468
- Student Finance England / Student Loans Company - 0300 100 0607
- National Careers Service (speak to an adviser) - 0800 100 900

USEFUL WEBSITES:

- [UCAS](#)
- [Student Finance England](#)
- [The National Careers Service](#) (on-line careers advice)

Destination data:

- We have a legal duty to collect destination data – what students are doing after they leave college – this could be attending a Higher Education degree course or Further Education course OR part time or full time work. We know this might not be their “forever” career choice but need to know what they are doing in the October 2026. We protect this data under our Privacy Policy which is on our website.
- We love to hear how our former students are doing. When you start a new job, finish a year out or graduate, please let us know by filling out the form on the ‘Former Students’ section of the College public website. Please visit our careers [webpage](#) or Moodle as a current student.

Graduation and Awards Event to be held on Wednesday 16th December at The University of Essex. Parents/Guardians and students will be emailed with details in October. The college will use this

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opportunity to recognise the efforts of students that have been nominated by teachers by the giving of Awards. Award winners will be notified by email in October. **Exam Certificates** can be collected from the General Office/Reception from December, an email will be sent out for further details

If you have your college lanyard or any resources, please do return them to the college reception

Best wishes for the future 😊