

Appendix 2

Flintshire County Council

Key Stage 5 Results: 2017 Background Summary

The National Assembly for Wales issued GCE A level and equivalent achievements information for Wales, 2016/17 in their First Release “Examination Results in Wales, 2016/17”, on December 6th 2017.

These statistics include results of external examinations taken by pupils aged 17 at the beginning of the academic year in schools in Wales.

Comparisons of performance are much more difficult to make in post 16 education. As the figures are for schools, the number of students represented in the figures is only a proportion of those in 16-19 education overall. The proportion of those pupils being educated in schools in each authority area will vary, as may the proportion of students who completed the courses they started. Figures are based only on those students who did complete courses.

LA SUMMARY RESULTS GCSE A LEVEL EXAMINATIONS AND EQUIVALENT (LEVEL 3)

In 2017 there were 541 17 year old pupils entered for the equivalent to 2 A Levels.

Key Indicators of performance show:

Performance Indicator	LA 2016	Wales 2016	LA 2017	Wales 2017
Level 3 Threshold	98.5%	98.0%	97%	97.1%
Average Wider Point Score	764.3	823.2	692.4	730.6
3A* A	4.1%	6.7%	8.3%	10.5%
3A* - C	64%	70.6%	50.1%	54.7%

- The Level 3 Threshold indicator for Flintshire in 2017 was just lower than the All Wales figure by 0.1% and lower than Flintshire’s 2016 performance by 1.5%.
- The % of students achieving 3A*/ A grades has increased from 4.1% in 2015 to 8.3% in 2017 reducing the gap with national performance.

Analysis of Results by Gender

The following table reflects the results of learners in Flintshire schools in 2016- 2017. Threshold figures are for students who have entered 2 or more A Level subjects or equivalent.

Performance Indicator	2016			2017		
	Female	Male	Diff	Female	Male	Diff
Achieving the Level 3 Threshold	99.4%	97.0%	-2.4	98.1	95.5	-2.6
Average Wider Point Score	824.1	684.8	-139.3	733	638.6	-94.4

- Females continue to outperform males in Flintshire on headline indicators at Key Stage 5. This reflects the national picture of gender performance at age 17.
- In the Level 3 threshold, achievement fell for females and males compared to 2016.
- The gap in the performance across the Level 3 indicator in Flintshire widened slightly in 2017 from the 2016 position by -0.2%.
- The gap in performance for the Average Wider Point score indicator has reduced.