

Exam Results 2017-18

(Data does not include results of any re-mark requests)



We were delighted with the strength of our exam results at all levels in session 2017-18, with records broken at Higher and Advanced Higher.

At National 5, our pupils generally take 8 subjects over two years, sitting their exams in the summer of our 5ths (S4). In addition to the exams, elements of the National 5 courses are assessed through practical work, portfolio work or assignments. Whilst most subjects are offered at National 5, we

continue to offer Art & Design and Music at GCSE (General Certificate of Secondary Education). We also present some other "minor" modern languages at GCSE on an ad-hoc basis.

Most pupils in the 6ths (S5) take five Highers. Exams results in S5 (our 6ths) are the benchmark level nationally, and so only those results are quoted here.

Most of our pupils will go on to take at least some Advanced Highers in 7ths:

many will take three, whilst others may mix Advanced Highers with Highers. Final grades are based on a combination of exams in May alongside an assignment which could take the form of a case study, a practical activity, a performance, a portfolio or a dissertation. Art & Design is offered at AS and A-level. We also offer A-levels on an ad-hoc basis for native speakers in "minor" modern languages not available in the SQA system.

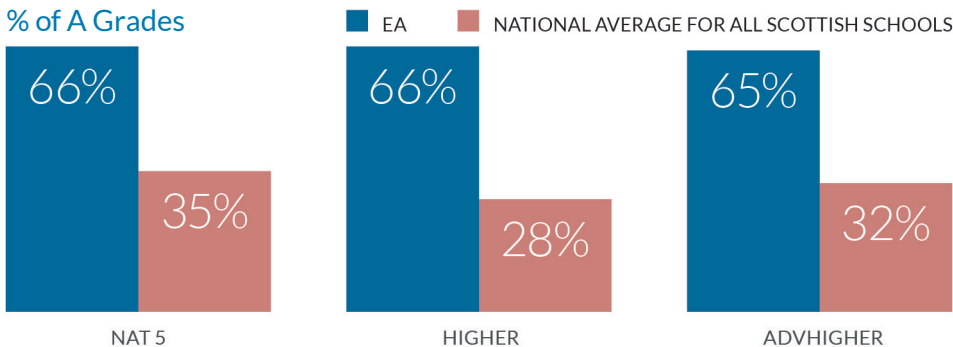
SQA Results

Advanced Highers	A	B	C	D	NA	Total	A%	AB%	ABC%
Whole School	85	22	15	5	3	130	65	82	94
Higher (S5)	A	B	C	D	F	Total	A%	AB%	ABC%
Whole School	263	81	43	5	4	396	66	87	98
National 5	A	B	C	D	F	Total	A%	AB%	ABC%
Whole School	424	137	52	23	10	646	66	87	95

We achieved record Higher results this year, with 66% of our entries in 6ths (S5) being awarded A grades, and 98% at grades A-C.

28 pupils achieved 5A grades or better, and a further 20 pupils gained 4As from their 5 Highers.

% of A Grades

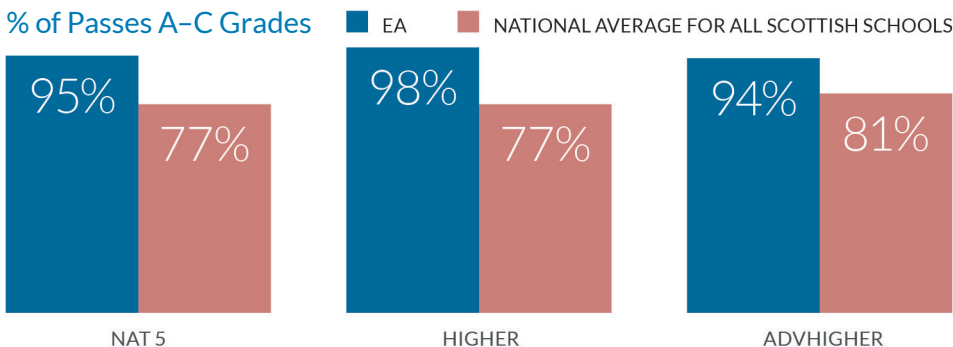


We achieved record Advanced Higher results this year, with 66% of our entries being awarded A grades, and 94% of awards at grades A-C.

31 pupils sat 3 Advanced Highers, with 17 of them achieving 3A grades.

22 pupils sat either 1 or 2 Advanced Highers in combination with A-level Art and/or additional Highers.

% of Passes A-C Grades



For the 70 senior pupils who left this year, their combined Higher and Advanced Higher results give an average UCAS point total of 196pts.

Top pupils who gained AAA at AdvH with an additional AA in other subjects at Higher in 6ths would have accumulated 234 UCAS pts. We had 18 amazing pupils in 7ths who matched or exceeded that benchmark.

The range of positive destinations secured by our leavers reflects the strength of our leavers' exam results.

A-level and GCSE Results

A-Level	A*	A	B	C	D	E/U	Total	%	*A%	*AB%	*ABC%		
Whole School	1	3	0	0	0	0	4	25	100	100	100		
AS	A	B	C	D	E/U	Total	A%	AB%	ABC%				
Whole School	7	3	0	2	2	14	50	71	71				
GCSE / IGCSE	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Total	%9-8	%9-6	%9-4
Whole School	3	5	3	6	13	7	5	1	0	43	19	40	86

NEW GRADING STRUCTURE	OLD GRADING STRUCTURE
9	A*
8	A*
7	A
6	B
5	B
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
U	U

NB: this session the new numerical grading system at GCSE has been fully implemented (see table for equivalencies)

Grading new GCSEs from 2017

Leavers' Destinations 2018

As in previous years, the leavers from our final two year groups are moving on to a diverse range of destinations, whether in Higher or Further Education, entering the world of work or seeking adventure during a year out.

This year sees a slight drop to 63% of our 6th and 7th leavers going straight on to university from school. A further 6% of our leavers secured and held a deferred entry university place for 2019, which does reflect the fewer deferred entry places being offered by universities. A further 12% are having a gap year and will be applying through UCAS this session; 6 of whom had either received offers or secured places and have decided to re-apply, having either changed their mind on the course they wish to pursue or attained exceptional exam results. In addition, we also saw 7 leavers from 2017 return after a gap year and all successfully secured a place at University. 82% of all applicants secured their first choice, with 45% of those either meeting or excelling the conditions of their offers. College applications, usually as a one year transition to university, remain steady with

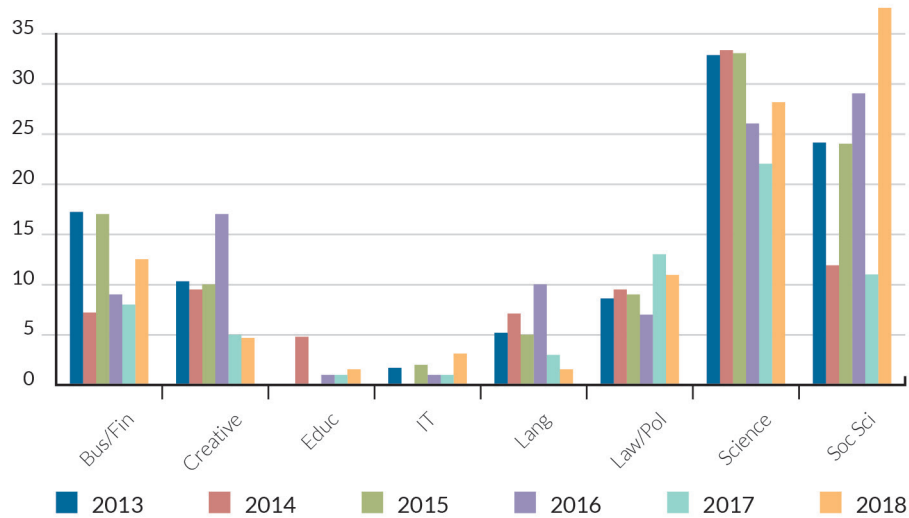
9% of our leavers accepting a college place for this academic year. Overall, we expect over 92% of our leavers will be embarking upon a university career, whether this year or next. Of those who have already secured university places 55% will be going to university in Scotland; Glasgow pipping Edinburgh as being the most popular. A further 42% of students are going to England, whilst 2 pupils have accepted places at University in Bahrain and USA.

Our senior curriculum, primarily focused on Advanced Highers and Highers, continues to offer our pupils significant flexibility in their choice of university across the UK and beyond. The range of subjects which our leavers go on to study beyond school is as wide as ever and yet again we have seen a large number enrol in undergraduate courses in both the Sciences and the Social Sciences, with IT and Business & Finance courses seeing an upsurge this year. Of the more competitive courses, such as Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, we had 100% applicant success rate for both of these courses this session.

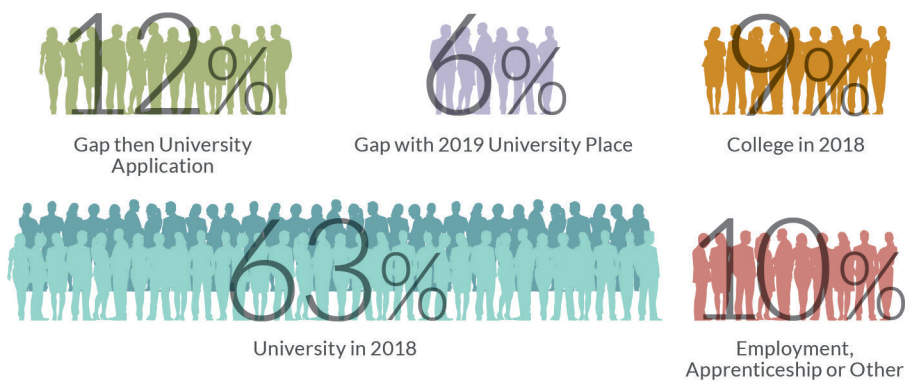
Year Out

Of those taking a year out, some are travelling and/or working overseas. Popular destinations include Australia, Europe, South Africa and Colombia. These experiences will provide an excellent foundation for both further education and the world of work. We have also seen pupils starting to secure alternative pathways, such as apprenticeships, or entering employment immediately from school.

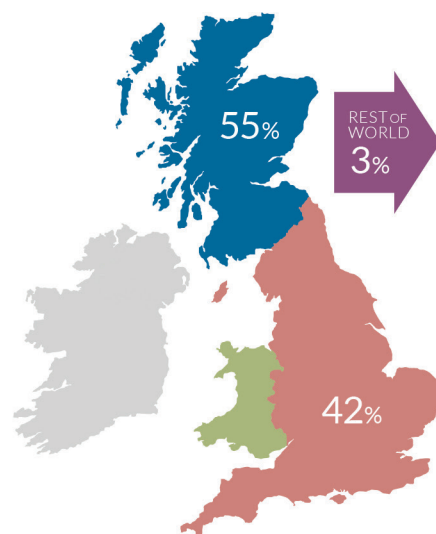
Leavers 2013-18 subject groupings at university (% per year)



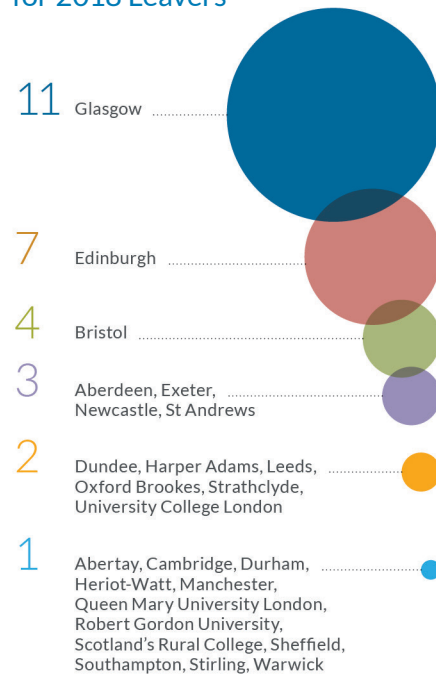
Leaver destinations 2018



Destinations by country 2018



Universities by popularity for 2018 Leavers



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