

DTU/GBL

17 November 2017

Dear Parent / Carer

Year 11 Pledges and STEPs

As you will already know, we provide all our students with a range of opportunities to achieve the best outcomes for their GCSE pathways. In order that students in **Year 11** are fully ready to engage in the challenges of further education requirements, we are introducing **Pledges** that we wish your child to achieve. This is an opportunity for your child to prove that they have the motivation and effort required to move onto the next phase of their education beyond GCSE.

You will find that in your child's planner there is a page that identifies '**My 10 Pledges**'. As we have only just introduced these across **Northern Education Trust**, we feel it fair that your child is given opportunity to achieve these pledges throughout Year 11 but that achieving all of them will not be an expectation.

We do expect that your child achieves:

- Pledge 1** Regularly attend an after-academy event (minimum of 20 sessions)
- Pledge 2** Represents the academy in an academic event – Easter School 2018
- Pledge 5** Take Part in an academy event by attending the 6th Form Open Evening on Tuesday 28 November 2017. This is to keep all options open for further education choices.

Alongside these Pledges we do require that your child's **attendance** remains above **95%** and that your child does **not** receive an **E4** during **STEP 4**.

We believe all students who prove that they are hard-working and committed to achieving these expectations deserve to be celebrated. **As part of this celebration we would like to invite your child to attend the Year 11 Prom held on Thursday 28 June 2018.**

There will be a **Parents Information Evening** on **Tuesday 20 February 2018** should you have any questions about this process.

Yours faithfully



Mr Tucker
Vice Principal