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Dear Parent/Guardian

You will be aware that funding of public services including education is facing significant pressure in the immediate future. In this context it has become clear to us that Sixth Forms in schools and colleges **will not now receive funding for students who wish to repeat courses** at AS or A2 Level. In practice, this means that we will no longer be able to offer students who are disappointed with their results the opportunity to return to classes to repeat courses in order to improve performance.

Where there are significant pastoral reasons for the underachievement (for example a serious on-going medical condition) cases will be considered individually. We are determined that this will not affect the overall ethos of the Associated Sixth Form, which has a proven record of supporting students of all abilities in pursuit of their potential.

We hope that you will discuss this situation with your son/daughter and encourage him/her to make the most of the remaining months of the AS/A2 courses and to gain the best grades possible in the summer.

Yours sincerely

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