Changes to Education – A Parent's Guide Factsheet: The New Progress 8 measure



Accountability

Accountability in school terms means a policy of holding the school accountable for students' academic progress (the results we publish) It is also linked to the accountability that students have for their own progress and achievements.

Progress 8

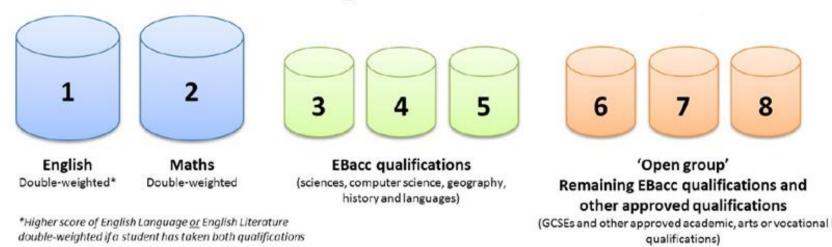
Currently all students and schools are measured on **how many GCSE's they achieve at A*-C** including English and Mathematics. From 2016 all students will be **measured on how much progress they make** from when they started in **Year 7** to when they complete their exams at the end of **Year 11**.

This will be known as Progress 8.

Progress 8 will be introduced for all students and is designed to encourage all students to study a **broad and balanced curriculum.**

The new measure will be based on students' progress measured across eight subjects. For each student the 8 subjects must be a combination from the diagram below.

Progress 8 measure



The Progress 8 score will always be determined by dividing the points total by 10 (the eight qualifications with English and Mathematics counting double), regardless of how many qualifications your child sits or in which subjects.

Calculating Progress 8

Not 'best 8' The 8 qualifications which meet the formula The difference between the actual grade and the target grade Government set target grades for KS4 based on KS2 tests or Teacher Assessment

A worked example:

	Grade	Points	Weighted points	
Geography	A*	8	8÷10 = 0.8	Divided by 10 as English and
English Literature	A	7	$7 \div 5 = 1.4$	Maths double counted and
BTEC Business	Distinction	7	$7 \div 10 = 0.7$	therefore 10 subjects in total
Science	В	6	$6 \div 10 = 0.6$	
Maths	В	6	6÷5 = 1.2 —	Divided by 5 only as English
English Language	В	6	$6 \div 10 = 0.6$	and Maths are double
RE	В	6	$6 \div 10 = 0.6$	counted = worth more
Art	С			
BTEC Sport	Pass			
Additional Science	D	4	$4 \div 10 = 0.4$	
Weighted attainment			6.3 = B+	 6.3 according to new point scale is a B+

In addition to Progress 8, each student will also leave Tayyibah Girls School with the following information; (This will also be available about schools, for parents to be able to compare School performance)

Attainment 8 – showing the students' average achievement in the same suite of subjects as the Progress 8 measure.

English and Mathematics – If your child achieved a C grade or better in both English (either Language or Literature) and Mathematics.

The EBacc – If your child achieved good grades (A*-C) across a range of academic subjects

Below is an **example** of what your child could leave Tayyibah Girls School with at the end of Year 11

Students' Progress	Students' Attainment	Achieved Maths and	Achieve EBacc
Grade (average of 8	grade (average of 8	English at C grade or	subjects at C grade
grade)	grades)	better	or better
+1.2	B+	Yes	Yes

Below is an **example** of what school headline figures could look like at the end of each year.

Students' Progress Grade (average of 8 grade)	Students' Attainment grade (average of 8 grades)	% of Students achieving Mathematics and English at C grade or better	% of students Achieve EBacc subjects at C grade or better
+0.8	В	60%	38%

What does this mean for my child?

- Achieving across **all subjects** not just 5
- No dropping subjects when the going gets tough
- Carefully monitoring of progress all the time