Al Ain English Speaking School





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Dear Parent/Guardian

Following discussions and guidance provided to ADEK we would like to inform you that Year 13 is mandatory from the next academic year in order to obtain an equivalency certificate from the MoE. All students studying in the British Curriculum schools that follow the year system will be required to complete Year 13 to meet the minimum school graduation requirements of the MoE.

ADEK is in the process of understanding if exceptions can be given to students who are graduating this academic year (as Year 12 students); however a decision is still pending on the matter.

Currently the equivalency certificates will only be given to students who attain 2 AS-Levels or 1 A-Level at grade D or above in addition to the 5 IGCSEs/GCSEs. These exam subjects must be from the MoE approved subjects.

This new requirement means that it is a mandatory for requirement for entry into universities in the UAE and certain countries. This may affect the student's opportunity to apply for employment with certain employers in the UAE and certain countries who seek equivalency certificates as part of their recruitment process.

Yours sincerely

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