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Dear William Clennell

Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("FOIA") request

I refer to your recent request for information, received 6 July 2018, made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

Under the Act, public authorities have two duties to individuals requesting information: firstly, to confirm whether or not they hold the information requested, and secondly to provide a copy of that information unless one or more of the exemptions under the Act apply.

I can confirm that we do not hold information relating to your request.

Your request

*Please provide (if available) the percentage of pupils scoring 11 A*s / 8s (88 points), 10 A*s / 8s and 1 A / 7 (87 points), 9 A*s / 8s and 2 As / 7s (86 points) etc. at GCSE Level. I know that data on the proportion of pupils scoring 5 A*-C / 9-4 is already available, and therefore I would presume that similar data is available broken down per pupil. If possible, data would be presented in the form:*

88 points - e.g. 0.001%

87 points - e.g. 0.1% etc., with the total number of pupils admitted given.

Please provide this data for 2016 and 2017.

*In the same structure, please provide the percentage of pupils scoring 5 A*s, 4 A*s and 1 A, 3 A*s and 2 As etc. at A Level using an arbitrary point scale of 6 points for an A*, 5 points for an A etc. down to 1 point for an E. Please provide this data in the same structure as above for 2016 and 2017.*

Our response

We do not hold the information you have requested, but it can be obtained by analysing data from the National Pupil Database (NPD) which is owned and managed (held) by the Department for Education (DfE). We have access to the NPD but under strict controls, and we have to set out in advance the purposes for which we will use data from the NPD. The information you request is not one of our stated purposes, and so we suggest you contact DfE direct.

The best contact for the DfE Freedom of Information team is to use their on-line form, which can be found [here](#).

Internal Review

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled you have the right to request an internal review. You can request an internal review by contacting:-

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If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner. Complaints to the Information Commissioner should be sent to:-

FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Yours sincerely

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