

Exam Results 2025:

A guide to support your next steps

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Thursday 14 August: Level 3 results

(A-Levels, Level 3 BTECs & vocational and technical qualifications, e.g. T-Levels)

On results day, ensure you have:

- Your UCAS Track (UCAS ID) login details.
- Contact numbers for the Admissions team at your chosen university.
- Sufficient credit/ minutes / airtime allowance on your phone for any calls you may need to make.
 - Bear in mind that the phones at universities, colleges and schools are likely to be very busy.

If you got the grades you need for your chosen higher education course and establishment

- Log into your UCAS Hub to find out whether your Conditional Offer has been confirmed. (Results are available from 08:15, however, it can take up to 24 hours for the university to confirm your place, so if you don't see your confirmation straight away, don't panic!);

Or

- If you were waiting for grades for a (higher) apprenticeship programme, you will need to contact the employer/ scheme manager to update them on your grades to confirm your offer of employment/ training.

If you did not get the grades for your chosen higher education course and establishment

- You should check [UCAS Track](#) to see if your offer at your preferred higher education establishment still stands; please note this may be pending as some universities may take longer to decide if they can accept you and could request a breakdown of your results, for example.
- If your first choice is subsequently not available, you may be eligible for your insurance offer and you should use [UCAS Track](#) to view these details.
- If neither your first choice nor insurance offer are open to you (or if you did not pick an insurance choice), you will be eligible for [Clearing](#), a process that allows you to search for and potentially access other course options at your preferred university, or apply for remaining places at another university. Please see the UCAS website for details on [Clearing Plus](#) – a tool that signposts you directly to relevant universities whose entry requirements match your results.

If you exceeded your expected grades, you are eligible for [Clearing](#). If you are holding a firm unconditional offer and want to change your university choice, you should click the 'decline your place' button in your application. **Please make sure you have spoken to the university concerned and / or your school Careers Adviser before going ahead with this step.**

If you are seeking apprenticeship or job opportunities, please see page 8 for some useful websites.

If you are unhappy with your grades, [find out how you can appeal](#).

Please note, when considering your next steps, it is highly advisable to obtain advice and guidance from a qualified careers professional in your school or college in addition to teaching staff.

Qualified careers professionals are also available via the [National Careers Service](#) or [UCAS](#).

Thursday 21 August: Level 2 results

(GCSEs, Functional Skills [Levels 1 & 2], Level 2 BTECs and vocational subjects).

How schools issue GCSE results vary. Contact yours and find out how you will receive your results. **Ensure you store your results safely; you will need them when you go to your new place of learning or working.**

If you got the grades you needed and have applied to sixth form or college

If you have an offer from a sixth form or college, you should have received an email with details of your enrolment date and time. If you cannot locate this, double check with the school or college.

What you need to enrol:

- Your examination results.
- Proof of identification, e.g. passport/ birth certificate/ Home Office documents etc.
- Proof of your National Insurance number.
- Any signatures required from parents/ carers.
- Any details for any additional support needs/ special educational needs you have e.g. your Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP).

If the sixth form, you've applied to asks you to sit their own test.

School sixth forms and colleges should consider the grades that you have achieved, but they may opt to set their own entry test. Find out how the school or college will support you to take the test.

If you have not applied to a sixth form or college, see point 3 below.

If you did not get the grades you needed you will need to do one of the following:

1. **Get advice** from your chosen sixth form or college to find out what (other) programmes you may be eligible for.

Make sure your course choice fits in with *your* career plans and goals. It is essential that you pick the best courses that help you achieve this rather than take a place on a course just for the sake of it. This might mean that you need to rethink your plans.

2. **Contact your Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) Coordinator** if you have an EHCP.
3. **Research your options (again).** The websites listed on page 8 may help you.

It is essential that you consider *all* of your options. Speak to your school/ college Careers Adviser to help you make sense of your options and decide on the best one for you.

You can also call the National Careers Service Helpline on 0800 100 900.

If you have not applied to a sixth form or a college

1. Check the [London Colleges website](#) to see which colleges are enrolling now.
2. Call the school or college of your choice ASAP. Many sixth forms and colleges have Open Enrolment from a specific date, so you will need to be proactive and work quickly to find an alternative option.

Colleges are more likely to have spaces as they offer a wider range of courses. However, as some courses are heavily subscribed you should contact them directly. Check school and college websites about Open Enrolment days for students without prior applications.

3. Consider an apprenticeship which enables you to gain a meaningful qualification and learn and earn at the same time. Find out more about Apprenticeship in the [My Choices at 16+ guide](#) or on the [Government website](#).

If you didn't get the grades to start an Apprenticeship, you could opt for a **Study Programme** – a course of study, which gives you the opportunity to develop your Maths and English (also known as Functional Skills) if you did not achieve a grade 4, and also prepare you for work. Please contact the Post 16 Participation & NEET team for more information (contact details below).

If you are unhappy with your grades

find out from your school or college how you can appeal or consider resitting your GCSEs.

If you are considering resitting your GCSEs

You can contact one of the establishments below. A few things for you to be aware of:

- Check which subjects the school or college offers in terms of resits – in many cases, this is Maths & English only.
- Some schools may give you the opportunity to re-sit your GCSEs alongside other subjects.
- Some of the establishments have fees for their resits, be sure to clarify this first.

Croydon Adult Learning And Training (CALAT)
(For learners aged 19+)
Cambridge Tutors College
Croydon Metropolitan College
My Choices at 16+ guide (see GCSE course listing page)
London South Bank College: Lambeth
London Learning Consortium

This is not an exhaustive list.

If you need a fresh start to learning, foundation study programmes in Maths and English or ESOL with a vocational area, e.g. *construction* may work for you. Check the [My Choices at 16+ guide](#) for a list of providers offering these courses locally.

Croydon Sixth Forms

Name of Sixth Form	Admissions Number
Archbishop Tenison's Church of England Sixth Form	020 8688 4014
Coloma Convent Girls School	020 8654 6228
Coombe Wood School Sixth Form	020 8289 4745
Harris Sixth Form: Harris Academy Beulah Hill Harris Academy Purley Harris Academy South Norwood Harris Academy Crystal Palace Harris Invictus Academy Croydon	020 8253 7777
Harris Professional Skills Sixth Form	020 3370 9238
Norbury High School for Girls	020 8679 0062
Oasis Academy Shirley Park	020 8656 0222
Riddlesdown Collegiate, College VI	020 8668 5136
Shirley High School Performing Arts College	020 8656 9755
St Joseph's College	020 8761 1426
The BRIT School	020 8665 5242
The Quest Academy	020 8657 8935
Woodcote High School	020 8668 6464

Croydon Colleges

Name of College	Admissions Number
Coulsdon College	01737 551176
Croydon College	020 8686 5700
John Ruskin College	020 8651 1131

Colleges Neighbouring Croydon

Name of College	Admissions Number
London South East Colleges: Bromley	020 3954 4000
Capel Manor College	020 8778 5572
London South Bank: Lambeth College	020 7501 5000
London South Bank: Technical College	020 7501 5000
London Colleges	020 7034 9900
North East Surrey College Of Technology (NESCOT)	020 8394 1731
Reigate College	01737 221 118
South Thames College: Carshalton campus	020 8544 4444
South Thames College: Kingston campus	020 8546 2151
South Thames College: Merton campus	020 8918 7777
South Thames College: Tooting campus	020 8918 7777
South Thames College: Wandsworth campus	020 8918 7777
Southwark College	020 3757 4000
Westminster Kingsway College	020 7963 4181

Useful Websites

<p>Apprenticeships & Traineeships</p> <p>Croydon Works Get my First Job Government Apprenticeship website My Choices at 16+ guide Not Going To Uni</p> <p>General</p> <p>National Careers Service My Choices at 16+ guide</p>	<p>Further & Higher Education</p> <p>Success at School UCAS Clearing UCAS Track Where Can I Study (WCIS)</p>
<p>Employment websites</p> <p>Croydon Works Charity Jobs Diversity Jobs Group Employment for students Fish 4 jobs Get my First Job Indeed Job Centre Plus Not Going To Uni Student jobs Total Jobs</p> <p>Employment apps</p> <p>Indeed Job Today</p>	<p>Volunteering</p> <p>Croydon Voluntary Action Do It Life VInspired</p>

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