

Changes in your Child's Education: A Parents' Factsheet

The New **Progress 8** measure

Up until Summer 2015 all students, academies and schools were measured on how many GCSEs students achieve at A*-C including English and Maths, i.e 60% A*-CEM. From this year the Schools and Academies headline figures will look like this:

Students' Progress Grade (which is an average of 8 GCSE grades)	Students' Attainment Grade (which is an average of 8 GCSE grades)	% of students achieving Maths and English at grade C or better	% of students achieving EBacc subjects at grade C or better
+0.8	B+	60%	40%

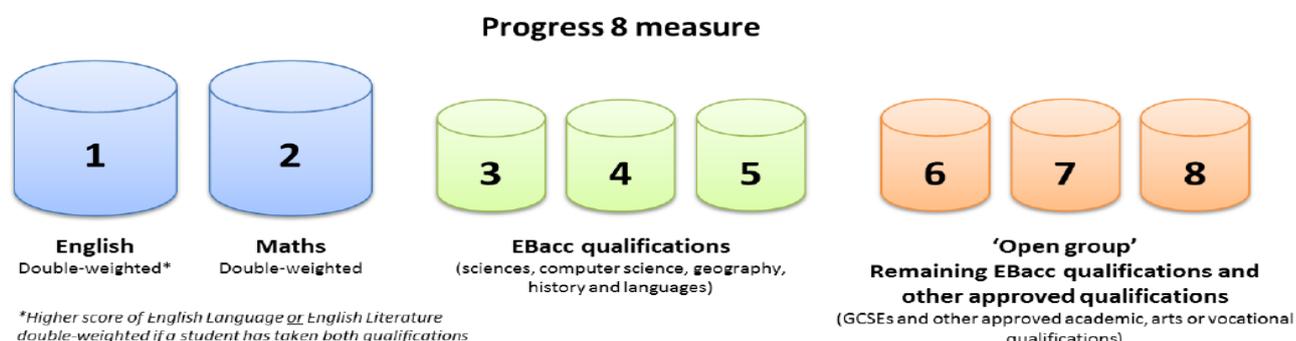
What does this mean?

From 2016 the government has introduced two new national performance measures called **Progress 8** and **Attainment 8**.

Progress 8 will measure how much progress a cohort of students makes from when they start in Year 7 to when they complete their examinations at the end of Year 11. This will be published as a numerical figure where each GCSE grade is equal to 1.

Attainment 8 will measure the average grade of students in a cohort from 8 prescribed courses. This will be published as a single grade to represent the average achievement of the year group.

These measures are designed to encourage all students to study a **broad and balanced curriculum**. They will be based on students' **progress and attainment measured across 8 subjects**. For each student the 8 subjects **must** be a combination from different groups of subjects as shown in the diagram below.



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

EBacc Measure

The EBacc recognises the success of those young people who attain GCSEs, at grades A*-C in the following subjects:

- English and Maths
- Geography and/or History
- Sciences including Computing
- Foreign Languages

GCSE grades are changing to a point's value, see the table below:

GCSE grade	2016 Points
A*	8.0
A	7.0
B	6.0
C	5.0
D	4.0
E	3.0
F	2.0
G	1.0

What will my child leave the Academy with?

Below is a mock example of what your child would leave the Academy with at the end of Year 11.

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

An example worked out:

	Grade	Points	Weighted points
Geography	A*	8	$8/10 = 0.8$
English Literature	A	7	$7/5 = 1.4$
BTEC Creative Media	Distinction	7	$7/10 = 0.7$
Science	B	6	$6/10 = 0.6$
Maths	B	6	$6/5 = 1.2$
English Language	B	6	$6/10 = 0.6$
Art	B	6	$6/10 = 0.6$
PE	C		
BTEC Childcare	Pass	4	
Additional Science	D		$4 / 10 = 0.4$
Weighted attainment			6.3 = B+

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