What OFSTED say about SFX



The students

- "Students' behaviour is very good in lessons and around college. They are polite and respectful to staff and visitors."
- "They enjoy coming to the college"
- "Students show very good attitudes to learning."
- "Students have high aspirations and work well together and independently."
- "Students gain the skills, understanding and techniques to succeed in examinations or assessments."
- "Students feel safe"
- "Students develop in confidence and apply what they have learned in theory lessons well to their practical lessons."
- "Students understand how to keep themselves safe and know whom to speak to if they have concerns."

The teachers

- "Teachers are well qualified in their subject area and use their knowledge well to deepen their students' understanding."
- "Teachers use a variety of methods to engage students and assess their learning and understanding."
- "Teachers manage group activities well, often using more complex tasks to extend the knowledge of those students capable of achieving high grades."
- "Teachers give students very clear and precise feedback on how to improve and gain higher marks."
- "Teachers support students well to develop their independent learning and research skills."
- "Teachers set work which is demanding and as a result students produce work of a high standard."



The support

Careers

- "Students receive very good careers guidance which informs them of the potential career opportunities and further and higher education routes available to them."
- "Staff in the college careers service are very effective in supporting students."
- "The vast majority of students progress to higher education, further education, employment or apprenticeships... The majority who go to university gain places at their first choice institution."

Safeguarding

- "When issues arise, there is good support for students through the counsellor, welfare officer and the chaplaincy."
- "The safeguarding team's knowledge of the potential dangers within the communities their students live in is good."
- "The college is a secure environment and students work in safe learning spaces."

Additional support

 "Support staff and teachers work well together to assist students who need extra help... As a result, students who need extra help achieve at least as well as their peers and make good progress."

Enrichment

- "Students attend good-quality work experience placements that support them to develop appropriate work-related skills."
- "Through the well-planned tutorial and religion and philosophy programme, students discuss and learn about a variety of topics. These include homophobia, gender equality, conflicts between different religions, extremism, grooming and bullying."
- "Students take part in and enjoy a wide variety of activities outside of their lessons."

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