

# Aspire 6: Providing Extra Challenge for our Students

#### Aims:

To encourage and support High Prior Attaining students in Years 12 and 13 in continuing their academic success at Altrincham College Sixth Form and beyond. The Aspire 6 forum aims to provide students with knowledge of the opportunities available to them in terms of their Post-18 progression routes as well as support in accessing these.

## Entry Criteria:

8 or more passes at GCSE (including English and Maths) and at least 5 GCSEs at Grades 7/8/9

## About:

The Aspire 6 group meets regularly, both as a group and on a one-to-one basis, with Mrs Court, our UCAS Advisor and Learning Resource Centre Manager. The meeting agendas prioritise discussion of student progress and attainment, as well as strategies to offer stretch and challenge. Additionally, the group focuses on discussing the opportunities that are available to support students with their post-18 options, with many students striving to seek a place of degree study at one of the Russell Group Universities.

## Events and opportunities

The group meetings will focus on opportunities that are available via universities or external agencies such as:

- The Social Mobility Foundation,
- Manchester Access Programme,
- University of Manchester Aspiring Students Society.

We will also host sessions on interview techniques, public speaking, UCAS and Apprenticeship application support and 1:1 Personal Statement guidance.

Group meetings take place on a monthly basis, increasing to twice per month for Year 13 students in the Autumn term, to support with UCAS application process.

