

Safa Students Smash 2020 A Level Results

Safa Community School (SCS) has once again proved its commitment to excellence by continuing the outstanding standards set last year in the schools first-ever GCSE examinations. The very same cohort of students who achieved a 94% pass rate has continued to break records by delivering world-class results amidst testing times.

On the back of winning the prestigious Schools Compared 'Best New School in the UAE' award in 2019, the school decided to open the Sixth Form. SCS recruited additional high calibre teachers from many top private schools within the UAE and across the UK. Significant investment ensured that the SCS Sixth Form would be one of the leading lights. Furthermore, the lifelong Sixth Form Academic Scholarship Scheme attracted the very best scholars from across Dubai.

Michael Davies, Head of Secondary, commented "We are delighted with these results. The students have overcome adversity in unprecedented times. They have never waived or taken a backward step; with every obstacle and challenge, the group became stronger. They reflect just how hard learners and staff have worked to ensure that our students achieved excellent outcomes. The standard of teaching and learning in our Sixth Form is truly impressive. AS-level outcomes for Year 12 have surpassed their expected grades which indicates even stronger A level results next year. I'd like to thank all involved publicly."

Highlights

Most notably, the number of A*-A grades for our first-ever cohort was a hugely impressive 32% – over twice the UK national A-Level average. In addition, half of all grades achieved were A*-B (50%). 75% of all grades were A*-C. Of particular note was the high attainment in subjects such as:

100% A*-A	Arabic
100% A-B	Chemistry (50% of all grades in Chemistry were an A)
100% A-B	Psychology
100% A-B	MFL
100% A-C	English Literature
100% A-C	Design and Technology (50% of all grades in DT were an A)
100% A-C	Computer Science
100% A-C	Geography
87% A-C	Maths (50% of all grades in Maths were an A)
87% A-C	Physics

Value-Added Data

Value Added A level 2020 for SCS cohort +0.17

Top Performers

Farouk Attia

Chemistry A, Physics A, Maths A, Design and Technology A

Nourhan Elshahat

Biology A, Business A, Maths A

Maria Novais

Biology A, Maths A, Chemistry A

Warda Mandvia

Biology A, Maths A, Psychology A, Chemistry B

Scholarship Students

Farouk Attia Chemistry A, Physics A, Maths A, Design and Technology A

Nourhan Elshahat Biology A, Business A, Maths A

Stephen Duckett Principal, commented “I am delighted that our first cohort of sixth former's has demonstrated excellent Year 12 results. Safa Community School consistently ensures that all our students outperform. Importantly, we have also fully prepared our oldest students for their future careers, and our focus on their all-round wellbeing has supported them to deliver such a high level of success. The remarkable results of our Year 12 cohort fully reflect that every individual sixth former and all of their teachers should feel justifiably proud of their outstanding achievements.”

Farouk Year 12 student, commented: “Safa Community School School has provided me with an incredibly supportive community that has helped me to realise my talents and given me the freedom to develop my creativity and broaden my horizons.”

Warda Year 12 Student, commented: “I came through SCS primary school and have always been supported and guided by the amazing staff at SCS. I was fortunate to attend Oxford University Summer school, providing me with the impetus to attain top grades.”

Norhan Year 12 Student, commented "I was offered an academic scholarship last year to join SCS and to support both my academic and sporting talents. I am overwhelmed with the grades I have achieved at SCS. The flexibility of the school day allows me to train and perform at an elite level while still undertaking my A-level studies."

The school has formed an alliance with MediClinic Park View Hospital. This unique partnership affords our aspiring young doctors and surgeons to undertake a year-long placement. Students are permitted to shadow the medical teams, surgeons and hospital management for the entire academic year. This allows students to gain insight and deepen their understanding before embarking on their undergraduate studies.

Alan Short Marketing Manager, Mediclinic Parkview Hospital Cluster, commented "We have been delighted to welcome Safa students this year. Their knowledge of medical practice and patient care has been awe-inspiring. Both Warda and Marie have fully immersed themselves in the different medical and consultative teams they have worked under. We look forward to continuing this partnership with SCS."

For further information about the Sixth Form at Safa Community School, including applications for September 2020 and Academic Scholarships, please contact the school registrar directly at registrar@safacommunityschool.com (Ms Sally Rycroft).