

UCAS – LENZIE ACADEMY

September 2019

Ms Robertson DHT, Chair

Mrs Rae PT Guidance, UCAS Support in Lenzie Academy Jane O'Reilly Strathclyde University, UCAS information for Parents

School Support so Far...

- Information sessions for all pupils in June regarding UCAS
- Open Days
- UCAS Assembly & Workshops (Last Week for most but in June/August for early Applications)

Allocated time with Depute Head and Guidance Teacher on how to complete the application form and how to write the personal statement

"Life After School" Presentations by various Universities – This morning!

Further School Support

- Opportunities for talks for different careers
- Deadline for draft personal statement and form completion issued by guidance
- Whole School Deadline 1st November
- One-to-one support from Guidance Teacher (including interview and help with personal statement)

checked in the order they are received

Careers Service – Drop in sessions 4 days per week

Next Steps After 1st November

- Forms checked again by Guidance Teacher and final amendments made
- Agreed to Pay/Send (this sends it to school)
- References written by Guidance Teacher
- Applications (including reference) passed to Mr Paterson for quality assurance
- Forms verified by office staff (school sends to UCAS)



Research is key...

Entry requirements

What are the minimum needed at end of \$5 or \$6?

Check what each faculty accepts as a Science e.g. Maths/ Geography?

• Some universities will offer places very early – pupils get anxious because they haven't finished their form and don't have an offer! – Places are not issued on a first come first served basis

Interview or Supplementary Testing

Many courses now interview

Mock interviews available – plan ahead, pupils should see Ms Robertson to arrange this

Supplementary testing or production of a portfolio may be required RESEARCH



 We aim to send all forms off before Christmas



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