

Queen Elizabeth High School

Press Release

QEHS Receives Outstanding Grade from Ofsted

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham, has been rated as outstanding in its Ofsted report published today.

In assessing the overall effectiveness of the school the Ofsted team wrote: 'Queen Elizabeth High School is an outstanding school with many strengths.' It described the sixth form as 'extremely successful, promoting very good achievement and high standards.'

Students at QEHS make good progress which becomes outstanding in the sixth form which is 'an integral and inspirational part of the school.' Standards of achievement are well above the national average.

The report comments extremely favourably on students' all-round development and the strength of the school's partnership working and links with its community. As a result, the inspectors found, students are 'mature, articulate and confident young people' who are prepared in an excellent way for the world of work and for independent learning in higher education.

The spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of students was also judged outstanding. They enjoy school, the report says, and participate with enthusiasm in the wide range of extra-curricular activities and make 'an excellent contribution to their school and local community.'

Headteacher Tony Webster, said: 'We are all delighted with this report. The standards and qualities the inspectors found in the school and in our students does everyone enormous credit. We value greatly the partnership we have with parents and our community and the strength of this is also reflected in the report. Our aim now is to go on to do even better.'

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