

8 March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

AQA Sociology Conference

We are pleased to offer an AQA Sociology Conference at the Mercury Theatre in Colchester on Tuesday 28 March 2017. It will be of great benefit to the students in preparation for their examinations.

The conference will consist of talks from teachers in the sociology department, experienced AQA examiners and Alpesh Maisuria – a specialist in global education policy and a senior lecturer at the University of East London. There will also be some helpful advice from second year students on revision techniques and workload management during the examination period.

Students should arrive at Braintree Sixth Form at 8.15am ready for departure by coach at 8.30am. The expected arrival time back at Braintree Sixth Form will be at approximately 4:30pm.

The cost of the trip will be £15.50 per student. Students are advised to take a packed lunch or money as they can either eat on site, or go into Colchester town centre. If there are any concerns regarding finances, or general enquiries please email me or contact Mrs Watson.

If you would like to book a place on the trip, please complete the authorisation slip below. This should be returned with the parent/carer medical consent form to Mrs Watson, Sixth Form Support Officer by **Friday 17 March 2017.**

Yours faithfully	
Mrs S Woodward Head of Faculty - Social Sciences	
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To: Mrs Woodward, Head of Faculty – Social Sciences	
Student name	
would like to attend the AQA Sociology Conference trip on Tuesday 28 March 2017, 8.30am – 4.30pm. Enclosed is the parent/carer medical consent.	
Signed	parent/carer
Date	



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Proposed Itinenary of the day

- Registration will take place between 9:15am 9:55am (students will be issued with their revision packs)
- Principal from the sixth form college will open the conference
- Families & Households AQA Examiner speaking
- 15 min morning break
- Education AQA Examiner speaking
- 60 min lunch
- External speaker Alpesh Maisuria from University of East London (UEL) his research focuses on social class & educational policy
- Methods & MIC
- Talk on revision techniques/how to revise
- Talk from A2 students on surviving exams
- 10 min afternoon break
- Closing talk