



The exam board AQA confirmed on 13 October 2016 that it is not continuing with the development of its specification for the new A level and AS level Statistics qualifications, which were due to be offered in England from September 2017. AQA was the only awarding organisation developing a new A level and AS level Statistics qualification separate from A level Mathematics, which includes a mandatory statistics component.

As a consequence of this decision, the College will not be able to offer a statistics course from September 2017. Those students currently in year 12 are unaffected by these changes and will be able to finish their course in June 2018. There is also a resit for these students in 2019 if required.

Should the situation change over the next few months, the College will update the advice given on this page.

UPDATE – DECEMBER 2016

Following the withdrawal of Advanced level Statistics by the awarding body, AQA, St John Rigby College was forced to withdraw the offer of Statistics Advanced level from September 2017. We are now delighted to inform prospective students and parents that Pearson, one of the other awarding organisations has decided to develop an A level Statistics specification for 2017. If this specification is accredited by Ofqual for teaching from September 2017, we would hope to offer this subject at St John Rigby College once more.

At this time, prospective students should apply for Mathematics Advanced level on their College application form. At course discussion, prospective students should indicate a preference to study statistics should it become available for September 2017.

We hope to have further information from the awarding body in the near future. Regular updates and any changes will be published on this page.