



## Teesside High School

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### News Release

**Title: Teesside High School Celebrates Top 200 Place for New English Baccalaureate**

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Teesside High School is celebrating new government figures published today, which places the School in the top 200 in the country for the new English Baccalaureate. The School is also the highest placed school in the Tees Valley in this list, ranked as 144<sup>th</sup>.

This new measure was announced in summer last year and will be awarded to pupils who gain GCSE A\*-Cs English, mathematics, two sciences, a language, and either geography or history.

Headmaster Thomas Packer said: "We are absolutely delighted with our placing in this new league table. We are not surprised to discover that we are in the top 200, given that our pupils achieved such excellent grades in their GCSEs this year, particularly in core subjects. For example, every GCSE result in biology, chemistry or physics GCSE this year was an A or A\*."

"I congratulate our dedicated teaching staff and our hard working pupils for this achievement."

The government is reported as saying that this new measure is essential to establish how many secondary school pupils achieve good grades in core GCSE subjects.

Schools are ranked in the table by the proportion of pupils achieving the English Baccalaureate. In addition, point scores are allocated for each qualification gained, with higher scores for higher grades. The average number of points per pupil is used as a tie-break.

A copy of the league table published by the BBC is available at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-12168236>

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