

From: Foi Enquiries

Sent: 29 October 2019 16:05

Subject: FOI-19-1320 - Leavers Without Qualifications

Thank you for your information request of 1 October 2019. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested. Our response is now detailed below.

1. How many pupils have left education without any qualifications or sitting any exams in the following schools in 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19 respectively. Hazlehead Academy, Northfield Academy and St Machar Academy

	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Hazlehead Academy	**	**	**
Northfield Academy	**	**	**
St Machar Academy	14	6	**

The figures replaced with ** cannot be provided as it relates to numbers greater than 0 but less than or equal to 5 which could be misleading or lead to identification of an individual.

We are unable to provide you with the exact figures where ** has been used, as it is exempt from disclosure. In order to comply with our obligations under the terms of Section 16 of the FOISA, we hereby give notice that we are refusing your request under the terms of Section 38(1)(b) in conjunction with Section 38(2)(A)(a) – Personal Information - of the FOISA.

In making this decision we considered the following points:

We are of the opinion that Section 38(1)(b) applies to the information specified above as the information in question is personal information relating to living individuals, of which the applicant is not the data subject.

We are of the opinion that Section 38(2A)(a) applies, as we consider that disclosure of this information would be a breach of the 'lawfulness, fairness and transparency' principle. As releasing these details would enable other people to identify these individuals. These individuals have not consented to the disclosure of their information, and we do not consider that they would expect us to release this information about them into the public domain under the FOISA.

2. How many of them have gone on to the positive destinations as specified by the Scottish Government.

We do not hold this information. This information is available from Skills Development Scotland. <https://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/>

We are unable to provide you with information on **how many of them have gone on to the positive destinations as specified by the Scottish Government**, as it is not held by ACC. In order to comply with our obligations under the terms of Section 17 of the FOISA, we hereby gives notice that this information is not held by us.

3. What percentage of the year group do to leavers represent?

	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Hazlehead Academy	3.40%	2.10%	2.89%
Northfield Academy	2.68%	1.69%	1.75%
St Machar Academy	8.00%	3.55%	2.76%

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

We handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under FOISA.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,



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