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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Higher Education Fair at Ballakermeen High School

I am pleased to invite you and your child to attend the evening session of the thirty eighth annual Higher Education Fair. The event takes place in the Sixth Form Centre at Ballakermeen High School on Thursday 20th June from 7pm until 8.45pm and will be attended by delegates from over thirty five Universities and Colleges of Higher Education.

Entrance to the school will be via the Main School Reception or via the Sixth Form entrance, which is at the far end of the school driveway, doors will open at 7pm. There will be signs directing you and prefects will be visible to help with parking.

Year 12 students will attend with their teachers on Friday 21st June, but in order to maximise time with the delegates, any student may also attend the Thursday evening session. As a parent/carer, you may find it helpful to come along and find out the most up to date information.

The Department of Education, Sport & Culture is pleased to support this event, especially as it enables our Island's students to meet a full cross section of Higher Education institutions. The attendance of so many universities is also a measure of the importance that they place on our Island's students.

There will also be a chance to see many of the exciting opportunities available on Island, from our great range of courses at the UCM to the apprenticeships on offer from local companies. In the past, student feedback has suggested that making connections at this event has been very important in helping them decide which 'on island' pathways they wish to follow.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our students the best of luck in this year's examinations.

Yours sincerely

Mr Graham Kinrade

Chief Officer

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