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Mr Steven Holdup Headteacher Dallam School Haverflatts Lane Milnthorpe Cumbria LA7 7DD

Dear Mr Holdup

Ofsted survey inspection programme – 14-19 reforms

Thank you for your hospitality and co-operation, and that of your staff and students during my visit on 28 November as part of our survey on 14-19 developments in the local area.

The visit provided valuable information which will contribute to our national evaluation and reporting. Published reports are likely to list the names of the contributing institutions, but individual institutions will not be identified in the main text.

The 14-16 curriculum appears to be well designed providing a range of courses and accreditation to meet students' needs and interests. Students say they enjoy their courses and particularly the opportunities provided to learn in interesting and practical ways. Post 16 students say they also enjoy their courses because of well structured learning and good student and teacher relationships. Students say they are developing in confidence, feel able to discuss their work and any concerns openly and receive very good support, regular feedback advice and guidance from teachers.

If there are any points or aspects of the visit you wish to discuss, please get in touch. As we will be evaluating the survey, you may be contacted in the future to find out your views. I hope you will contribute to this evaluation. Thank you once again.

Yours sincerely

Gina White Her Majesty's Inspector