

Sixth Form Course Entry Requirements for 2025 Entry

The Sixth Form curriculum gives students the opportunity to choose a programme of study, which suits their individual needs.

Note: Subject offers and combinations may change following Government guidelines released in December 2024

Students may mix and match A level and Vocational courses.

Vocational

- At least Five 9-4 grades (English or Mathematics at Level 5)
- Minimum Level 4 in English Language OR Mathematics

Performing Arts

National Extended Certificate 1 A level National Diploma 2 A levels

- Grade 4 in English **OR** Mathematics
- Satisfactory level in Performing Arts or a Performing Arts discipline (Dance, Drama or Music).

Sport

National Extended Certificate 1 A level National Diploma 2 A levels National Extended Diploma 3 A levels

- Grade 4 in English **OR** Mathematics
- Minimum Grade 6 at GCSE PE on the theory paper for Extended Certificate in Sport. Minimum of a Level 2 Merit for Extended Certificate and Diploma BTEC Sport Courses

Business

National Extended Certificate 1 A level National Diploma 2 A levels

Grade 4 in English OR Mathematics

ICT (AAQ)

National Extended Certificate 1 A level

Grade 4 in English OR Mathematics

Health and Social Care (AAQ)

National Extended Certificate 1 A level

Grade 4 in English OR Mathematics

Health and Social Care

National Diploma 2 A levels

• Grade 4 in English **OR** Mathematics

Applied Science (AAQ)

- National Extended Certificate 1 A level
- Two Grade 5s in Science
- Grade 4 in English OR Mathematics

Applied Criminology

- WJEC Level 3 Diploma 1 A level
- Grade 4 or above in a Humanities subject
- Grade 4 in English OR Mathematics

Applied Psychology

- Edexcel (Pearson) 1 A level
- Grade 4 in English OR Mathematics

Health T Level (Nursing)

- This will be equivalent to 3 A Levels
- Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics OR GCSE English Language
- Grade 44 in Combined Science or grade 4 in Separate Science subjects (Biology, Chemistry and Physics)
- A Level 2 qualification in Health and Social Care may be beneficial but is not a requirement

A level

 Students that wish to take a predominantly A level programme (i.e.3 or 4 A level subjects) will need a minimum of Five GCSEs Grades 9-6 (Must have Level 6 in English Language and Mathematics)

Art & Design

- Grade 6 or above in a GCSE Art subject
- A distinction at BTEC level (or an interview with a portfolio of work)

Biology

- Grade 6,6 overall for GCSE Combined Science (Trilogy) or a grade 6 for GCSE Biology (Separate Science)
- Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics

Business

- Grade 6 in GCSE Business if studied at GCSE, if not:
- Grade 6 in GCSE English and Mathematics

Chemistry

- Grade 6,6 overall GCSE Combined Science (Trilogy) or grade 6 for GCSE Chemistry (Separate Science)
- Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics

Computer Science

- Grade 6 in GCSE Computer Science if studied at GCSE, if not:
- Level 6 in GCSE English and Maths
- Knowledge in languages such as Python, C, C+, C# and Java would be an asset

Economics

- Grade 6 in GCSE Business if studied at GCSE, and:
- Grade 6 in GCSE English and Mathematics

English Language

 Grade 6 in GCSE English. (Preferably a Grade 6 in both English Language and English Literature).

English Literature

 Grade 6 in GCSE English. (Preferably a Grade 6 in both English Language and English Literature)

Geography

- Grade 5 in GCSE English
- Grade 6 in GCSE Geography

History

- Grade 5 in GCSE English
- Grade 6 in GCSE History

Mathematics

Grade 7 in GCSE Mathematics

Further Mathematics (Only picked has a 4th subject)

Grade 8 in GCSE Mathematics

Media Studies

• Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature, preferably both.

PE

- Grade 6 in GCSE English or Mathematics
- If studied, a minimum Grade 6 at GCSE PE on the theory paper

Physics

- Grade 6,6 overall for GCSE Combined Science (Trilogy) or grade 6 for GCSE Physics (Separate Science)
- Grade 7 in GCSE Mathematics
- Must be selecting Physics alongside either Chemistry or Mathematics.
 Physics cannot be selected as a stand-alone subject

Product Design

- Grade 5 in GCSE English or Mathematics
- Grade B/6 or above in a GCSE Design and Technology subject

Psychology

- Grade 6 in GCSE English Language
- Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics
- Grade 6,6 overall for GCSE Combined Science (Trilogy) or a grade 6 overall GCSE Biology (Separate Science
- If GCSE Psychology taken must have achieved a minimum of a grade 6 (B)

Sociology

 Grade 6 or above in GCSE English and Grade 6 or above in a Humanities subject

Select as an alternative subject, but may not run if numbers are low

Applied Law (may not run, dependent on numbers)

• Edexcel (Pearson)

1 A level

• Grade 4 in English

Politics (may not run, dependent on numbers)

- Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Language and a Grade 6 in a Humanities subject
- No prior knowledge of Politics is required.

RE (may not run, dependent on numbers)

• Grade 6 or above in GCSE English and a Grade 6 in a Humanities subject.

Spanish (may not run, dependent on numbers)

- Grade 7 in GCSE Spanish
- Grade 6 in GCSE English Literature