



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND OPTIONS

There are several Pathways through the Sixth Form. Which Pathway you take will depend on your achievements in Year 11 and your intentions for education after Sixth Form. You must first meet the entry requirements for the Pathway and specific subjects that you wish to follow.

According to the entry requirements below, students are offered a specific Pathway:

Pathway 1: At least five GCSEs grades 9-5 (including grade 4 in English and Maths)	Students have the option to study one T Level
Pathway 2: At least eight GCSEs grades 9-5 (minimum of six grade 7 or above)	Students can opt to do 4 A Levels or 3 A Levels and EPQ
Pathway 3: At least eight GCSEs grades 9-4 (minimum of four grade 5 or above)	Students study 3 A Levels
Pathway 4: Fewer than five GCSEs grades 9-4 (below grade 4 in Maths and English Language)	Students follow the Level 2 Courses and retake both GCSE English and GCSE Mathematics.

In addition to meeting the above requirements to follow each Pathway, students must also meet the entry requirements for each subject they intend to study. You must meet the higher of the two entry criteria, between the schools, depending on where your lessons will be taught.

- For A Levels, students must have a minimum of eight GCSEs or equivalent at grade 4 or above including a 5 in English Language and Maths, and a grade 5 (or equivalent) minimum in each of the subjects they choose to study at this level. For several subjects such as Maths and Sciences, there are additional conditions.
- For Level 3 BTEC qualifications, students must have a minimum of five GCSEs or equivalent at grade 4 or above including a 4 in English Language or Maths to study at this level.

***Once students have been allocated a Pathway, they can then choose the subject they would like to study within the Pathway course. There are a number of courses on which students can enrol provided they have demonstrated their academic ability at Key Stage 4 – even if they have not taken the subject at Key Stage 4. In practical terms, this means that a student can enrol on some courses without having a GCSE qualification in them.**

A Level Courses

Subject	If studied at Key Stage 4	If not studied at Key Stage 4
Art and Design (A Level)	Grade 5-9 in Art	Grade 5-9 in at least 3 courses (or based on a portfolio)
Biology (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Biology OR Grade 7-9 in Combined Science AND Grade 6-9 in Maths	
Business Studies (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Business Studies OR Merit-Dist in BTEC Business Level 2	Grade 5-9 in English OR Maths
Chemistry (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Chemistry OR Grade 7-9 in Combined Science AND Grade 6-9 in Maths	
Computer Science (A Level)		Grade 7-9 in Mathematics
Economics (A Level)		Grade 6-9 in English AND Maths AND Grade 6-9 in Business Studies GCSE (if taken)
English Language (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in English Language OR English Literature	
English Literature (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in English Language OR English Literature	
Film Studies (A Level)		Grade 5-9 in English Language or English Literature
French (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in French	
Geography (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Geography AND Grade 5-9 in Maths	Grade 6-9 in English Language OR English Literature AND Grade 5 in Maths
Politics (A Level)		Grade 6-9 in English Language OR English Literature OR History
History (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in History	Grade 6-9 in English Literature OR English Language
Mathematics (A Level)	Grade 7-9 in Mathematics	

Subject	If studied at Key Stage 4	If not studied at Key Stage 4
Further Mathematics (A Level)	Grade 8-9 in Mathematics	
Music (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Music AND proficient in at least one instrument and/or voice to grade 5-9	
Photography (A Level)		Grade 6 in Art and Design (or based on a portfolio)
Physical Education (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Physical Education And Grade 5/6-9 in Science AND regular participation in at least one sport	
Physics (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Physics OR Grade 7-9 in Combined Science AND Grade 6-9 in Maths	
Psychology (A Level)		Grade 5-9 in Maths AND Grade 6-9 in English Language OR English Literature
Religious Studies (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Religious Studies AND Grade 4-9 in Maths AND Grade 5-9 in English Language	
Sociology (A Level)		Grade 4-9 in English Literature OR Language OR Grade 4-9 in Religious Studies
Spanish (A Level)	Grade 6-9 in Spanish	

Technical Courses

Subject	If studied at Key Stage 4	If not studied at Key Stage 4
T-Level: Business, Management and Administration		Five subjects at grade 5-9 (including a minimum Grade 4 in English and Maths)
T Level: Digital Production, Design and Development		Five subjects at grade -5-9 (including a minimum Grade 4 in English and Maths)
T Level: Health and Adult Nursing		Five subjects at grade 5-9 (including a minimum Grade 4 in English and Maths)
T-Level: Laboratory Sciences		Five GCSEs to at least grade 5-9 (or equivalent) including Science (Combined or Triple). You must also have at least a grade 4 in Maths, English Language GCSE.