Sixth Form Qualifications 2027/2028

Students need to have achieved Grade 9-4 at GCSE, or equivalent, in at least five separate subjects including Maths and English Literature or English Language. This is our Minimum Entry Requirement. Each subject also has typical entry requirements.



A Level	GCSE grades mainly 6-9 or equivalent Exams at the end of Year 13
Vocational/ Technical	GCSE grades mainly 4-9 or equivalent Mix of coursework and exams in Year 12 and Year 13

It is important to select the correct qualification route in order to be able to follow the university, apprenticeship or employment pathway of your choosing.

A Level

Art, Craft & Design	Grade 5 in GCSE Art
Art & Design (Photography)	Grade 5 in GCSE or Merit in Level 2 in a creative or practical subject preferred + Grade 4 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Art & Design (Textiles)	Grade 4 in GCSE Textiles OR Merit in Level 2 vocational Textiles
Biology	Grade 6 in GCSE Biology OR Grade 6-6 in GCSE Combined Science + Grade 6 in GCSE Maths
Chemistry	Grade 6 in GCSE Chemistry OR Grade 6-6 in GCSE Combined Science

	+ Grade 6 in GCSE Maths
Computer Science	Grade 6 in GCSE Computer Science OR Grade 6 in GCSE Maths, if not studied at GCSE
Design Engineering	Grade 5 in GCSE Engineering OR GCSE Design Technology + Grade 5 in GCSE Maths + Grade 5 in GCSE Physics or Grade 5-5 in GCSE Combined Science
Drama & Theatre Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE Drama OR Merit in Level 2 vocational Performing Arts If not studied, consideration is given to students with relevant experience
Economics	Grade 6 in GCSE Maths + Grade 5 in GCSE English Language
English Language	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
English Literature	Grade 5 in GCSE English Literature
Ethics, Philosophy & Religion	Grade 5 in GCSE Religious Studies or a Humanities subject OR Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
French	Grade 6 in GCSE French + Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Further Maths	Grade 7 in GCSE Maths (must also choose A Level Maths)
Geography	Grade 5 in GCSE Geography + Grade 4 in GCSE Maths + Grade 4 in GCSE English Language or Literature
German	Grade 6 in GCSE German + Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature

History	Grade 5 in GCSE History OR Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature, if not previously studied.
Maths	Grade 6 in GCSE Maths
Media Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE Media Studies OR Grade 5 in GCSE English Language, if not studied at GCSE
Physics	Grade 6 in GCSE Physics OR Grade 6-6 in GCSE Combined Science + Grade 6 in GCSE Maths
Psychology	Grade 5 in GCSE Psychology OR Grade 5 in GCSE English Language + Grade 5 in GCSE Biology or Grade 5-5 in GCSE Combined Science + Grade 5 in GCSE Maths
Spanish	Grade 6 in GCSE Spanish + Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Sociology	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature OR Grade 5 in a GCSE Humanities subject

Vocational/Technical

Equivalent to 1 A Level or * Equivalent to 2 A Levels

Applied Science	**BTEC AAQ Extended Certificate**	Grade 5-4 in GCSE Combined Science OR Grade 5 in GCSE Separate Sciences + Grade 4 in GCSE Maths + Grade 4 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Business	**BTEC Extended Certificate**	Grade 5 in GCSE Business Studies OR Merit in Level 2 vocational Business Studies

	OR * BTEC Diploma	+ Grade 4 in GCSE Maths + Grade 4 in GCSE English Language
Criminology	**WJEC Applied Diploma**	Grade 4 in GCSE English Language or Literature + Grade 4 in GCSE Maths
Performing Arts (Dance)	**BTEC Extended Certificate**	Merit in Level 2 vocational Dance Relevant experience from dance outside school will be considered if not studied at Level 2
Health & Social Care	**BTEC AAQ Extended Certificate**	Merit in Level 2 vocational Health & Social Care OR Grade 4 in GCSE English Language or Literature
I.T	*** OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma**	Pass in Level 2 vocational I.T OR Grade 4 in GCSE Computer Science OR Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Mental Health: Individuals & Society	**BTEC AAQ Extended Certificate**	Grade 4 in GCSE English Language OR Pass in Level 2 vocational Health & Social Care, if studied
Music (Performing)	**BTEC Extended Certificate**	Grade 5 in GCSE Music OR Merit in Level 2 vocational Music Practice Confident players/singers are also eligible to apply if not studied at Level 2
Sport	**BTEC Extended Certificate OR * BTEC Diploma**	Merit in Level 2 vocational Sport OR Grade 5 in GCSE PE OR Grade 4 in GCSE English Language or Literature OR Grade 4-4 in GCSE Combined Science OR Grade 4 in GCSE Separate Sciences + practical ability in a suitable sport

AS Level equivalent

Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)	Students do not opt for the EPQ until starting SIxth Form. Information about the EPQ will be provided in September 2027.

In exceptional circumstances subject leaders may accept a student who has narrowly missed out on the typical entry requirement

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