

## Course entry guidelines for Sixth Form

### Minimum entry to the Sixth Form:

5 Grades 9 - 5 **and** at least a grade 5 in English Language and Maths.

To be accepted onto a course you must have gained **both this minimum entry and the stated requirement in the essential column**. However the best guide for your suitability to a course is to **also have the preferred column** combined with a full appreciation of the expectations of the course content as shown in the Subject Sheets on our websites.

### A Level Subjects

Subject	Preferred	Essential
Art	Grade 6 in Art	Grade 5 in Art
Biology	Grade 7 in Biology or Combined Science	Grade 6 in Biology or Combined Science and Grade 6 in Maths
Business	Grade 6 in Maths & English Language (and 5 in Business Studies if taken)	Grade 5 in Maths & English Language (and 5 in Business Studies if taken)
Chemistry	Grade 7 in Chemistry or Combined Science and Grade 7 in Maths	Grade 6 in Chemistry or Combined Science and Grade 6 in Maths
Computer Science	Grade 7 in Maths (and 7 in Computing if taken)	Grade 6 in Maths (and 6 in Computing if taken)
Drama and Theatre (for Actors or Designers)	Grade 5 in English Language	Grade 5 in Drama. Significant experience in Drama outside of school may be considered, please see Mr Brown to discuss
Economics	Grade 6 in Maths & English Language	Grade 5 in Maths & English Language
English Language	Grade 6 in English Language	Grade 5 in English Language
English Literature	Grade 6 in English Language and Literature	Grade 5 in English Language and Literature
Fashion and Textiles	Grade 6 in Textiles	Grade 5 in Textiles
French	Grade 7 in French	Grade 6 in French
Geography	Grade 6 in Geography	Grade 5 in Geography
History / Modern History	Grade 6 or above in History/World History	Grade 5 in either English Language or English Literature (and a 5 in History/World History if taken)
Maths	Grade 8 in Maths	Grade 7 in Maths
Maths, Further (AS or A2)	Grade 9 or a high Grade 8 in Maths	A high Grade 7 in Maths

Subject	Preferred	Essential
Music	Grade 7 in Music	Grade 6 in Music. Advanced skills on an instrument and grade 5 ABRSM theory may be considered, please see Mr Leather to discuss
PE	Grade 6 in Biology and both PE theory papers	Grade 5 in Biology and both PE theory papers and Grade 5 in English; and a high-performance level and/or coaching or officiating experience
Philosophy	Grade 6 or above in Maths, Grade 6 in Science and Grade 6 in English Language	Grade 5 in Maths, Science and English Language
Photography, SLR and Digital	Grade 6 Art	Grade 5 in Art, plus the submission of a CD with 20 digital images on the theme of Location
Physics	Grade 7 in Physics or Combined Science and Grade 7 in Maths	Grade 6 in Physics or Combined Science and Grade 6 in Maths
Product Design	Grade 7 in Design & Technology, grade 7 in Maths and English Language	Grade 6 in Design & Technology, Grade 5 in Maths and English Language
Psychology	Grade 6 in Maths, Grade 5 in English Language and Grade 6 in Science	Grade 5 in English Language and Maths, Grade 5 in Science
Spanish	Grade 7 in Spanish	Grade 6 in Spanish

### Pathways

Area	Pathway Subject	Preferred	Essential
Arts	Art & Design	Merit in Art & Design or Grade 6 in Art	Pass in Art & Design or Grade 5 in Art
Arts	Photography	Merit in Art & Design Grade 6 in Art	Pass in Art & Design or Grade 5 in Art plus the submission of a CD with digital images on the theme of Location
Arts	Performing Arts (Drama/Dance/ Stage Management/ Musical Theatre)	Merit in Performing Arts or Grade 6 in Drama and Grade 6 in English	Pass in Performing Arts or Grade 5 in English plus experience in Dance and/or Drama either in or outside school
Arts	Music Performance/ Music Production (Sound Engineering)	Merit in Studio Music or Grade 6 in Music GCSE	Pass in Studio Music or Grade 5 in Music GCSE and/or a high level of practical involvement

Area	Pathway Subject	Preferred	Essential
Digital Creatives	iMedia	Merit in Nationals ICT and/or Grade 5 in Computing	Pass in Digital Creatives/iMedia Or Minimum entry criteria
Health	Criminology	Grade 6 in English Language	Grade 5 in English Language Grade 5 in Maths Grade 5 in Science
Health	Health and Social Care	Merit in Health Grade 6 in English Language	Pass in Health Grade 5 in English Language Grade 5 in Maths Grade 5 in Science
Sport	Sport & Physical Activity	Merit in Sport Grade 6 in English Language Grade 6 in PE Grade 6 in Science	Pass in Sport Grade 5 in English Language Grade 5 in PE or high-level performance level/coaching or officiating experience

### **Entry guidelines for other qualifications**

Subject	Preferred	Essential
Engineering	Distinction in Engineering or Grade 7 in Physics (Separate Science) or Grade 7s in combined Science and Maths	Merit in Engineering or Level 6 in Physics (Separate Science) or Grade 6s in Combined Science and Maths
Extended Project	3 Grades 9 - 6 at GCSE and a Grade 6 in English Language and Maths and a record of excellent effort	3 Grades 9 - 5 and a Grade 5 in English Language and Maths and a record of excellent effort