

Subject Entry Guidance 2025-26

Overall Criteria

Students must overall achieve 5 GCSE grade 4 and above (or Merit BTEC L2) alongside the subject specific qualifications.

Students must also have achieved either or both GCSE Maths and English (Language preferably) at grade 4.

Students should opt for ONE AAQ.



Subject Specific Criteria A Level Courses:

Subject	Course	Entry requirements
Fine Art	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 5 or above in GCSE Art or an exceptional portfolio in certain circumstances
Biology	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 6 or above in GCSE BiologyGrade 5 or above in GCSE Mathematics is recommended
Business	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 4 or above in GCSE Business (if previously studied)Ideally, Grade 4 or above in GCSE MathematicsGrade 4 or above in GCSE English Language and/or GCSE English Literature
Chemistry	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2 x Grade 6 or above in GCSE Science including ChemistryGrade 5 or above in GCSE Mathematics is recommended
Computer Science	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 5 or above in GCSE Computing (if previously studied)Grade 5 or above in GCSE Mathematics is recommended
English Lit	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 5 or above in GCSE English Literature
Further Maths	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 7 or above in GCSE Mathematics
Geography	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 4 or above in GCSE Geography (if previously studied)Grade 4 or above in GCSE English Language and/or GCSE English Literature
History	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 4 or above in GCSE History (if previously studied)Grade 4 or above in GCSE English Language and/or GCSE English Literature
Mathematics	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 6 or above in GCSE Mathematics
Media Studies	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 4 or above in GCSE Media Studies (if previously studied)Ideally a Grade 4 or above in GCSE English Language and/or GCSE English Literature
Philosophy, Ethics and Religious Studies	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 5 or above in GCSE Religious Studies (if previously studied)Ideally Grade 4 or above in GCSE English Language and/or GCSE English Literature



A Level Courses cont:

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Physics	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 x Grade 6 or above in GCSE Science including Physics • Grade 6 or above in GCSE Mathematics
Product Design	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 4 or above in GCSE Design and Technology • Grade 4 or above in GCSE Mathematics is recommended
Psychology	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 4 or above in GCSE Mathematics • Grade 5 in a GCSE Science
Sociology	A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 5 or above in GCSE Sociology (if previously studied) • Grade 4 or above in GCSE English Language and/or GCSE English Literature

BTEC / AAQ Courses:

All vocational courses should be taken in conjunction with 2 other courses.

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Applied Science	AAQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 x Grade 4 or above in GCSE Science • Grade 4 or above in GCSE Mathematics
Esports	BTEC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No additional requirements
Food and Nutrition	BTEC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 4 or above in GCSE Food or a Merit at BTEC Level 2 (if previously studied) • Ideally a Grade 4 or above in GCSE English Language and/or GCSE English Literature
Health and Social Care (Single)	AAQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merit at BTEC Level 2 (if previously studied) • Ideally a Grade 4 or above in GCSE English Language and/or GCSE English Literature
Performing Arts (Dance)	AAQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 4 or above in GCSE Dance or BTEC Level 2 Merit (if previously studied) • or experience of dance outside of school.
Physical Education	CTECH Level 3 Ext Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 4 or above in GCSE Physical Education or a Merit at BTEC Level 2 Sport / Level 2 competing to a good standard in one or more sports.