



Key Stage 5/ Sixth Form Study

Our A level curriculum is designed to encourage students to work and think more independently and to prepare them for their future pathways whether that be University or employment. We seek to ensure that pupils can learn in a caring and positive environment where we encourage each pupil to be responsible for their own learning.

We offer a wide and diverse range of subjects at A level in accordance with the Entitlement Framework and in conjunction with our partner schools in the Derg- Mourne Learning Community. There are in excess of 27 courses for pupils to choose from. As with GCSEs, we believe that subject choice is a key factor in A level success.

In exceptional circumstances the school will offer in addition to the range of Post 16 courses available the opportunity to obtain a Grade C in their GCSE Maths or English if they have not obtained such a grade on entry to Sixth Form. Pupils must have achieved a grade C in one of these subjects, if not both.

An extensive Careers Programme including University visits, careers talk's in school and the support of the school careers department to help make informed decisions about their future career path.

Subject requirements for A Level Progression:

Selection of A Level/ Level 3 subjects will be dependent on individual subject requirements which will be communicated via the Sixth Form Options Booklet and through personalised Careers Advisor sessions with the Careers Co-ordinator.

As a minimum to study Post 16 qualifications pupils must have attained at least 5 GCSEs/ BTECs (no other equivalents) at Grade C or above including English or Mathematics at a grade D. Pupils must be prepared to re-sit these subjects at the earliest opportunity.



Post 16 Curriculum is reviewed annually and regularly consists of:

Offered in CHS:

Art and Design

BTEC Applied Science

BTEC IT

BTEC Sport

Biology

Design and Technology

English Literature

Government and Politics

Health and Social Care- Single and Double Award

History

Home Economics

Professional Business Services

OCR Business

Maths

Spanish



Offered in partnership with DMLC:

SWC:

BTEC Agriculture

BTEC Children's Care, Learning and Development

BTEC Media Production

BTEC Media Computer Games

BTEC Construction

BTEC Engineering

BTEC Hospitality

BTEC Motor Sport

BTEC Personal Business Finance

Holy Cross College/ Strabane Academy:

Geography

Religious Education

Chemistry

Physics