

SIXTH FORM ENTRY GUIDELINES

The entry guideline for Year 12 to join Sixth Form to study the **Diploma Programme** is at least five grade 4s or above in the GCSE examinations, including a minimum of grade 4 in both English Language, Mathematics and a Science subject.

The entry guideline for Year 12 to join Sixth Form to study the **Career-related Programme** is at least four grade 4s or above in the GCSE examinations, including a minimum of grade 4 in both English Language and Mathematics. A grade four in Business GCSE is desirable but not essential.

The below table identifies the minimum GCSE grades advised to study IB **Higher Level** subjects for both the **Diploma Programme** and **Career-related Programme**. Although these levels are strongly suggested to succeed in the courses, we also focus on the holistic pupil and the IB pathway most suited to them within Sixth Form.

Subjects	Advised Higher Level GCSE Grades
Language A	Level 5 in First Language
English B	Level 4 in Second Language English
Language B	Level 7 in Second Language
Economics	Level 5 in English and Maths
History Geography Psychology	Level 5 in English
Biology	Level 7 in Biology
Chemistry	Level 7 in Chemistry and Maths
Physics	Level 7 in Physics and Maths
Environmental Systems and Societies	Level 5 in a Science subject.
Sports Science	Level 5 in a Science subject
Mathematics	Level 8 in Maths
Music Theatre Visual Arts	Practical experience and a strong interest are essential