

## Entry Criteria for Sixth Form

Courses in the Sixth Form require a high level of intellectual ability and commitment to work; it is paramount that students select courses that are appropriate to their ability. A good guide to identify the most suitable pathway is to use the GCSE average point score (APS) system; this gives a true reflection of the students' current ability and has proved a reliable tool in deciding on the correct courses.

Students need to ensure that they meet two separate entry criteria:

1. GCSE average point score (APS) as detailed below
2. Subject specific entry criteria

**Level Three Courses: A level courses or equivalent**

**Level Two Courses: GCSE equivalent courses**

### GCSE Point scores

A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
58	52	46	40	34	28	22	16

To work out your APS, add up your best 8 grades (including Maths and English) then divide by 8.

### Students wishing to study Level 3 courses (A levels or equivalent):

- Will need to achieve a minimum of 40 APS
- We expect students to achieve a minimum of a Grade B in those subjects they wish to study at Level 3 or the specified subject entry criteria.

### If you wish to study four level 3 courses:

You need to achieve a minimum of 46 APS

### If you wish to study three level 3 courses:

You need between 40 APS and 46 APS

Examples of GCSE average point score requirements

4 Level 3 courses		3 Level 3 courses	
6 X A* = 348 2 X B = 104	3 x A =156 5 X B = 230	4 X B = 184 3 X C = 120 1 X D = 34	2 X B = 92 4 X C = 160 2 X D = 68
452 divide by 8 = <b>56</b>	<b>386</b> divide by 8 = <b>48</b>	<b>338</b> divide by 8 = <b>42</b>	<b>320</b> divide by 8 = <b>40</b>

All students will have the opportunity to discuss their results with the Sixth Form team and advice will always be given to suit their needs.