



Sixth Form Courses and Entry Requirements

September 2027 Entry

A Level Courses

For a combination of all A-Level courses, students must achieve at least a **Grade 6 in GCSE English Language and Mathematics with an overall GCSE average of a Grade 6 or higher.**

COURSE	REQUIREMENTS
Art	6 in GCSE Art, or Distinction in Level 2 BTEC Art
Biology	7:7 in GCSE Trilogy Science along with 6 in GCSE Maths or 7 in GCSE Biology
Chemistry	7:7 in GCSE Trilogy Science along with 6 in GCSE Maths or 7 in GCSE Chemistry
Computer Science	6 in GCSE Computer Science and 6 in GCSE Maths, or 7 in GCSE Maths if not studied GCSE Computer Science
Economics	6 in GCSE Economics, 6 in GCSE Maths and 5 in GCSE English Language if not studied GCSE Economics
English Language	6 in GCSE English Language
English Literature	6 in GCSE English Literature
Further Mathematics	8 in GCSE Maths, entry exam will also be sat prior to starting course
Geography	6 in GCSE Geography
History	6 in GCSE History, if not studied at GCSE this subject cannot be chosen
Mathematics	7 in GCSE Maths
Physics	7:7 in GCSE Trilogy Science or 7 in GCSE Physics and a 7 in GCSE Maths
Psychology	6 in GCSE Psychology, or a 5:5 or 5 in GCSE Science, 6 in GCSE English Language and 6 in GCSE Maths if not studied GCSE Psychology
Spanish	6 in GCSE Spanish



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BTEC and Technical Level Qualifications

For our BTEC courses, students need to achieve at least a Grade 4 in GCSE English Language and Mathematics with an overall GCSE average of a grade 4 or higher. (BTEC Engineering applicants must achieve a grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics higher paper). If students have previously studied the chosen subject, they must have achieved at least a Level 2 Merit to be considered.

COURSE	REQUIREMENTS
Applied Science (Single Only)	5:5 in GCSE Trilogy Science and 4 in GCSE English Language and GCSE Maths
Business (Single and Double)	4 in GCSE English Language and GCSE Maths
Engineering (Single Only)	4 in GCSE English Language and 5 in GCSE Maths (Must have sat higher paper)
Medical Science (Single Only)	5:5 in GCSE Trilogy Science and 4 in GCSE English Language and GCSE Maths
Music Performance (Single Only)	Merit in BTEC Music or 5 in GCSE Music, 4 in GCSE English Language and GCSE Math
Sports Studies (Single and Double)	4 in GCSE English Language, 4 in GCSE Maths and 54 in GCSE Science
Performing Arts (Single Only)	4 in GCSE English Language and GCSE Maths (An audition may be required if not studied at KS4)

Where a subject choice for A-Level or Level 3 BTEC/Applied has not been studied at GCSE, discussions must be held with the Sixth Form team or the Curriculum Leader of the chosen course option in order to determine academic suitability based on appropriate alternative qualifications achieved or additional academic entry assessment.



Sixth Form Subject Blocks

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The timetable of NLA 6th Form is structured to enable students to select complementary course combinations to enhance their experience and facilitate their progression to future careers and university study in line with our pre-designed student pathways.

Applicants should select at least three courses from different blocks/columns. Subjects in the same column cannot be studied together.

We are able to accommodate students studying 4 courses at 6th Form contingent on outstanding GCSE performance, which is discussed at the start of the term.

Double – Diploma qualification equivalent to two A Level courses

Single – Extended Certificate qualifications equivalent to one A Level course

OPTION A	OPTION B	OPTION C	OPTION D	OPTION E
Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Maths	Further Maths
Art	English Language	Business (BTEC Single)	Sport (BTEC Double)	Sport (BTEC Single)
Engineering (BTEC Single)	Applied Science (BTEC Single)	English Literature	Business (BTEC Double)	History
Economics	Computer Science	Business (BTEC Single)	Psychology	Spanish
Medical Science (BTEC Single)	Geography	Music Performance (BTEC Single)		Performing Arts (BTEC Single)