

HGHS Sixth Form Admissions Policy 2020-21

Responsibility: Head of Sixth Form
Committee: Pupil, Parents & Community
Last Review:
Next Review:

Standard Criteria:

- Students should have attained at least **5 grade 5+ or equivalent** and **preferably grade 6+ (B) in the subjects you wish to study** although lower grades may be considered.
- Students should also meet the minimum GCSE Entry Criteria as detailed in the Subject Entry Criteria sheet.
- Students with extenuating circumstances or with strong performance in particular subject areas will be favourably considered.
- Students should have gained **a pass in GCSE English and GCSE Mathematics** – grade 5
- We will consider applications from students who have been educated outside the English/Welsh examination system and may not have followed GCSE courses.
- We will evaluate the application based on the predicted outcomes from examinations that are being followed, or evaluate the quality of a portfolio of relevant work that should be submitted upon request.

Additional Criteria:

Having achieved the above standard, students will be admitted according to the following criteria:

- Cared for children and previously cared for children
- Students who have attended Hazel Grove High School or other institutions are given equal preference.

Where capacity is exceeded in either a subject or within the Sixth Form (100), a place will be allocated to the student who best meet the entrance criteria.

- Forms arriving after the final option form deadline of the third Friday of November will be marked 'late' and considered **after** all applications received on time.
- Repeat applications will not normally be considered within the same school year, unless the parents' or the school's circumstances have changed significantly since the original application was made.
- Students whose applications for Sixth Form remain unsuccessful but still meet the academic criteria set will be placed on a 'reserve list' for the first two weeks of the academic year. If any further places become available, they will be allocated according to the oversubscription criteria set out in these arrangements.
- Individual Advice and Guidance consultations, will be held for each student applying to Sixth Form in order to offer the best advice in respect of his/her selection of AS levels. Alternative post-16 pathways, which are available locally and may be more suitable, may be advised.
- There is an expectation that all students will have demonstrated **good attendance (typically 95%) and high motivation** in Year 11 and that they are capable of achieving a successful outcome.
- All students must have demonstrated a good level of conduct in year 11.
- Students will be notified by post of the outcome of their application, at the latest by the end of March.

Subject Entrance Criteria

Please be advised that students should have achieved the entry criteria of at least 5 GCSE passes at grade 9 - 5 and preferably grade 6 in the subjects they wish to study.

Please note that these grade passes will only be accepted from GCSE and equivalent qualifications. In addition, students should be able to meet the subject entry criteria, as detailed below. The entry criteria are stated alongside each subject.

Biology	Grade 6 or above in GCSE Biology or GCSE Additional and Core Science
Business Studies	Grade 6 or above in GCSE Business Studies and a high standard of GCSE English and Maths (usually grade 5 or above in both subjects)
Chemistry	Grade 6 or above in GCSE Chemistry or Additional and Core Science Grade 6 or above in GCSE Mathematics.
Criminology (BTEC)	Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Language
Drama & Theatre Studies	Grade 5 or above in GCSE Drama and English Language or English Literature
Product Design (3D)	Grade 6 or above in GCSE PD/RM
English Language	Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Language
English Literature	Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Literature
Geography	Grade 6 or above in GCSE Geography
History	Grade 6 GCSE History
Computing	Grade 6 or above at GCSE in English / Mathematics and Computing
Mathematics	Grade 6/7 or above in GCSE Mathematics
Media Studies	Grade 5 at GCSE in English Language
Physical Education	Grade 5 or above in GCSE Physical Education and Other interested students will be considered on merit. Must take part in sport outside of school
Physics	(It is desirable but not essential for students to also study A Level Mathematics alongside this subject) Grade 6 in GCSE Physics or GCSE Additional and Grade 6 or above in GCSE Mathematics
Psychology	Grade 6 in GCSE Additional and Core Science or Grade 5 in GCSE Biology. Grade 6 in GCSE Maths Other interested students will be considered on merit.
Sociology	Grade 6 in GCSE English Language
Textiles	Grade 5 in GCSE Textiles or Art
Fine Art	Grade 5 in GCSE Textiles or Art

Health & Social Care (BTEC)

Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Language

Applied Science (BTEC)

Grade 5 or above in GCSE Science / Maths