

CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION TO YEAR 13

General Criteria

Any pupil wishing to study A-levels after completing her G.C.S.E. examinations must achieve the following to be sure of being offered a place in Year 13:

1. A minimum of seven G.C.S.E. Grades A* – C (to include at least four A* – B).
2. A minimum of Grade C in G.C.S.E. English Language
3. A minimum of Grade C in G.C.S.E. Mathematics.
4. The Subject Specific Criteria for each subject to be taken at AS/A2 Level (see below).
5. A good record of attendance in Year 11 and Year 12 (95% +)

Subject Specific Criteria		
Subject	Essential	Desirable
Art	Grade B in GCSE Art	Grade A in GCSE Art
Biology	Grade A in GCSE Biology + Grade B in GCSE Chemistry, or , Grade AA overall in GCSE Double Award Science with a Grade A in the B2 Biology component <i>(See Note 1 below)</i>	
Business Studies	Grade B in GCSE Business Studies	Grade A in GCSE Business Studies
Chemistry	Grade A in GCSE Chemistry or Grade AA overall in GCSE Double Award Science with a Grade A in the C2 Chemistry Component + Grade A in GCSE Mathematics (M4/M8) <i>(See Note 1 below)</i>	GCSE Further Mathematics studied
Digital Technology	Grade B in GCSE Digital Technology + Grade B in GCSE Mathematics	Grade A in GCSE Digital Technology + Grade A in Mathematics
Drama and Theatre	Grade B in GCSE Drama/Theatre Studies	Grade A in GCSE Drama/Theatre Studies Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature
English Literature	Grade B in GCSE English Literature + Grade B in GCSE English Language	Grade A in GCSE English Literature + Grade A in GCSE English Language
French	Grade A in GCSE French (3 higher papers taken)	
Geography	Grade B in GCSE Geography + Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature + Grade B in Mathematics	Grade A in GCSE Geography Grade A in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature
Health and Social Care	Grade C in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature	Grade C in GCSE Health and Social Care
Health and Social Care Double Award	Grade B in GCSE Health and Social Care Grade C in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature	Grade A in GCSE Health and Social Care Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature
History	Grade B in GCSE History + Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature	Grade A in GCSE History Grade A in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature
Irish	Grade A in GCSE Irish (3 higher papers taken)	

Mathematics	Grade A in GCSE Mathematics (M4/M8 modules) + Grade B in GCSE Further Mathematics	Grade A in GCSE Further Mathematics
Media Studies	Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature	Grade B in GCSE Media Studies Grade A in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature
Moving Image Arts	Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature	Grade A in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature Grade A in GCSE Art and Design, Drama or Music, Media Studies or History
Music	Grade A in GCSE Music + Grade 5 in a Musical Instrument	Grade 6 in a Musical Instrument Grade 5 in Music Theory
Nutrition & Food Science	Grade B in GCSE Home Economics or Grade B in GCSE Health and Social Care or Grade B in GCSE Single Award Science or Grade BB in GCSE Double Award Science	Grade A in GCSE Home Economics Grade B in GCSE English Language or English Literature
Physics	Grade A in GCSE Physics, or , Grade AA overall in GCSE Double Award Science with a Grade A in the P2 Physics component. + Grade A in GCSE Mathematics (M4/M8) (See Note 1 below)	GCSE Further Mathematics studied
Politics	Grade B in GCSE Politics + Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature	Grade A in GCSE Politics Grade A in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature
Religious Studies	Grade B in GCSE Religious Studies + Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature	Grade A in GCSE Religious Studies Grade A in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature
Sociology	Grade B in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature	Grade A in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature
Spanish	Grade A in GCSE Spanish (3 higher papers taken)	
Sports Studies (BTec)	Grade B in GCSE PE	Grade A in GCSE PE
Technology & Design (Product Design)	Grade B in GCSE Technology and Design or Grade B in GCSE Art	Grade A in GCSE Technology and Design or Grade A in GCSE Art

Note:

1. **Only subjects from those listed above may be chosen.**
2. **Pupils wishing to take main Science subjects (Biology, Chemistry, Physics) must choose at least 2 of the following: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Geography, Nutrition and Food Science.**
3. **Some Universities do not accept Media Studies and Moving Image Arts as two separate subjects.**
4. **If more pupils choose a subject than there are places available, additional criteria will be applied. Priority will be given to pupils who have achieved:**
 - **The Desirable criteria for the subject selected and/or**
 - **A higher GCSE grade in the subject selected and/or**
 - **A higher overall performance at GCSE Level**

CRITERIA FOR PROGRESSION TO YEAR 14

Pupils must achieve a minimum of 3 Grade C passes at AS Level in the subjects they wish to take at A2 Level to be sure of progressing to Year 14.