



St Benedict's Sixth Form

Entry Policy





Access to Programmes of Study

Below are the minimum entry requirements for each programme of study.

Programme of Study	Minimum Entry Requirements
3 A-Level Study Programme	Minimum Average Point Score = 4.5 Grade 4 in GCSE English Language Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics Grade 5 or above in subject to be taken (if studied previously at GCSE), please check subject specific entry requirements carefully
Mixed Study Programme	Minimum Average Point Score = 4.0 <u>For A Level Choices</u> Grade 4 in GCSE English Language Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics Grade 5 or above in subject to be taken (if studied previously at GCSE), please check subject specific entry requirements carefully <u>For Applied General Choices</u> Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature) Grade 3 in GCSE Mathematics
Applied General Programme	Minimum Average Point Score = 3.5 Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature) Grade 3 in GCSE Mathematics
Level Two Study Programme	Minimum Average Point Score = 2.5



Subject Specific Entry Requirements

A-LEVEL	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS for September 2023
Art	Grade 5 in GCSE Art (<i>discuss if not taken, a portfolio may be considered</i>)
Biology	Grade 6 in 2 GCSE Sciences (including Biology) or 6-6 in Combined Science; Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics (Grade 5 will be considered with strong GCSE Science Grades); Grade 5 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
Chemistry	Grade 6 in 2 GCSE Sciences (including Chemistry) or 6-6 in Combined Science; Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics; Grade 5 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
Dance	Grade 5 in GCSE Dance (<i>if taken</i>)
Design Tech	Grade 5 in GCSE Technology; Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics (<i>discuss if not taken</i>)
English Combined	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
English Literature	Grade 5 in GCSE English Literature
French	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language; Grade 6 in GCSE French
Further Maths	Grade 8 in GCSE Mathematics
Geography	Grade 5 in GCSE Geography; Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics
History	Grade 5 in GCSE History
Law	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Mathematics	Grade 7 in GCSE Mathematics
Media Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE Media (<i>if taken</i>)
Philosophy and Ethics	Grade 5 in GCSE Religious Studies
Photography	Grade 5 in GCSE Photography (<i>if taken</i>)
Physics	Grade 6 in 2 GCSE Sciences (including Physics) or 6-6 in Combined Science; Must also be studying A Level Maths
Politics	Grade 4 in GCSE English Language;
Psychology	Grade 5 in GCSE Biology or 5-5 in Combined Science; Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics
Sociology	Grade 4 in GCSE English Language; Grade 4 in GCSE Maths
Spanish	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language; Grade 6 in GCSE Spanish
Theatre Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE Drama (<i>if taken</i>)



APPLIED GENERAL	SUBJECT SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Applied Law (BTEC)	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
Applied Science (BTEC/AAQ)	Grade 5 in a GCSE Science; Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics; Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
Business (BTEC)	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature); Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics
Criminology (WJEC)	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
Health and Social Care (BTEC/AAQ)	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
Early Childhood Development (BTEC/AAQ)	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
IT (OCR/AAQ)	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature); Grade 5 in GCSE Maths, Merit in IT based course (<i>if taken</i>)
Music (BTEC)	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature); Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics; must be a proficient musician
Sport (OCR)	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature) Grade 5 in GCSE P.E. (or Merit Level 2 equivalent)
Travel and Tourism	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
Uniform Protective Services	Grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature)
LEVEL 2 VOCATIONAL	SUBJECT SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Hair and Barbering	A Positive Attitude to Learning
Teamwork and Personal Development	A Positive Attitude to Learning

We always aim to run all the course offered. However, there may be circumstances in which this is not possible (for example, too few students making the course choice) and the course may be withdrawn.

NB External Applicants must provide detailed references, a personal statement and be selected for interview based on the criteria above. Conditional places will be offered, and these will be confirmed on receipt of evidence showing exam results.

We consider each student's individual profile of GCSE qualifications as well as other key measures:

- **Attendance figure of 97%**
- **Punctuality**
- **Behaviour, Conduct and Attitude**
- **Exam attendance**

We are unable to offer students the opportunity to repeat Year 12

We cannot accept an external applicant for a level 2 pathway

Please note: There will be exceptions to subject specific entry requirements. At enrolment the interviewer will take advice from the sixth form team and use their professional judgement when deciding if an applicant can enrol onto a course without meeting specific requirements.