

**Ysgol Uwchradd Y Frenhines Elisabeth
Queen Elizabeth High School**



Moving Forward Together

SIXTH FORM ADMISSIONS POLICY

Curriculum, Staffing & Pastoral Committee

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Policy Version Control

Version	Date	Page	Section	Reason for review	Summary of amendment	Chair of Governor's signature
1	5/12/18			BM appointment and bi-annual audit	Inclusion of BM role	<i>Helen Starkey</i> 05/12/2018
2	12/06/19	1	Sixth form admissions	Amendment to admission qualification	Four separate subjects at GCSE grade C+	<i>Helen Starkey</i> 12/06/2019
3	03/03/22	1+2	Year 12 and Year 13	Decline in attendance	Attendance to be compulsory	<i>Jeremy Griffith</i> 03/03/22
3	03/03/22	2	Subject Entry requirements	Pupils finding course difficult at C grade English	Sociology entry to B in English due to the nature of the course	<i>Jeremy Griffith</i> 03/03/22
4	17/07/23	1	Year 12 requirements	Pupils with low L2 are finding A-Levels hard	5-7 GCSE should do BTEC Pathways	<i>Jeremy Griffith</i> 17/07/23
4	17/07/23	1	Year 12 requirements	Amendment to attendance	Pupils not attending resit sessions 3 occasions or more asked to leave	<i>Jeremy Griffith</i> 17/07/23
4	17/07/23	1	Year 12 requirements	WBQ	WBQ is compulsory	<i>Jeremy Griffith</i> 17/07/23
4	17/07/23	2	Subject Entry requirements	Criminology added	C grade at GCSE English	<i>Jeremy Griffith</i> 17/07/23

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Introduction

Queen Elizabeth High School has a successful and thriving sixth form with approximately 270 students on roll. As a sixth form we strive to ensure that our students achieve academic success and gain opportunities to develop their wider skills and employability.

We welcome admission applications from our existing year 11 students and also students who are not currently part of our school community. We offer a broad range of AS and A Level subject choices and an ever increasing range of Level 3 BTEC qualifications. In addition, our students also complete the Advanced Skills Challenge Certificate. Further information on course outlines can be located on our school website under the 'Sixth Form' section.

Entry Requirements

Year 12

- In order to secure a place at QEHS Sixth form students are required to achieve a minimum of 5 GCSE passes at grade C or above from at least 4 subject areas (or equivalent). The purpose of this entry requirement is to ensure that students are placed on the correct Post 16 pathway in order to secure future success. Students need to have demonstrated success at Level 2 qualifications and an ability to work independently. This qualification requirement acts as evidence of a student's potential ability to cope with the challenge of Level 3 qualifications.
- Pupils that gain between 5 and 7 GCSE will be advised to follow a BTEC pathway at Level 3. This will support them in gaining qualifications at the end of the two years.
- The following A Level subjects require a B grade at GCSE - Mathematics (Higher Tier), Biology, Chemistry and Physics.
- Where a student does not meet the entry requirements, admission into the sixth form will be at the discretion of the Head Teacher and Head of Sixth Form. Students who are accepted and have not met the entry requirements would join under a licence agreement; progress would then be monitored in order to assess academic suitability.
- Students must also have a proven track record of attendance in the sixth form. Attendance to all your lessons are compulsory if you fail to meet this requirement on more than 3 occasions without a valid reason you will be asked to leave Sixth Form.
- Students are expected to read, sign and adhere to the Queen Elizabeth High School Sixth Form contract.
- Students who have not secured a C grade in either GCSE Mathematics or English must re-sit the qualification in year 12. Students must attend all re-sit lessons, failure to attend these sessions will result in the student being asked to leave sixth form.
- WBQ is compulsory for all students in sixth form.

- **Year 13** - In order to progress into year 13 students are required to achieve a minimum of two E grade passes in year 12. The purpose of this entry requirement is to ensure that students are placed on the correct Post 16 pathway in order to secure future success. Students need to have demonstrated the potential to succeed at Level 3 qualifications.
- Students must also have a proven track record of attendance in the sixth form. Attendance to all your lessons are compulsory if you fail to meet this requirement on more than 3 occasions from the beginning of year 12 without a valid reason you will be asked to leave Sixth Form.
- Students are expected to read, sign and adhere to the Queen Elizabeth High School Sixth Form contract.

Subject Changes

After commencing studies in year 12 students may change their subject choices before the end of September. Approval for subject changes must be sought from the Head of Sixth Form.

Subject specific requirements for courses offered at QEHS Sixth Form

Subject	Subject Specific Requirement
Art and Design	C grade in GCSE Art
Biology	B grade in GCSE Biology (Triple) or BB grade in Double Award
Business Studies	
Chemistry	B grade in GCSE Chemistry (Triple) or BB grade in Double Award
Criminology	C grade in GCSE English
English Literature	C grade in GCSE English
English Language and Literature	C grade in GCSE English
French	C grade in GCSE French
Further Mathematics	A grade in GCSE Mathematics
Geography	C grade in GCSE Geography
History	C grade in GCSE History
Hospitality and Catering	
Health and Social Care	
ICT	
Law	
Mathematics	B grade in GCSE Higher Tier Mathematics
Media Studies	C grade in GCSE English
Music	C grade in GCSE Music
Physics	B grade in GCSE Physics
Public Services	
Religious Studies	C grade in GCSE RS
Science	C grade in GCSE Science
Sociology	B grade in GCSE English
Sport	
Welsh 2 nd Language	C grade in GCSE Welsh

