

# Sir Christopher Hatton Academy Admissions Arrangements

## Entry requirements

At Sir Christopher Hatton VI Form, we pride ourselves on offering courses for a range of students with different academic abilities who have demonstrated that they are eager to learn and have worked hard during their GCSEs.

The minimum entry requirements for all students to gain a place in Sir Christopher Hatton Academy VI Form is to achieve 5 GCSEs at Grades 9-4 on the new grading system or their equivalents, including English Language or Literature and Maths.

All students who join us in year 12 will be required to choose 4 subjects to study for their first year to allow flexibility when moving into year 2.

We welcome applications from students from both our current year 11 intake and also from students from other schools and academies, providing they meet the minimum entry requirements and providing they are able to meet the minimum entry requirements for the subject that they wish to study. For individual subject entry requirements please see the prospectus which can be found here:

<https://www.hattonschool.org.uk/page/?title=Sixth+Form+Prospectus&pid=74>

In order to assist students to pick the right courses that maximise their chances of success, the subjects proposed have been broken up into two pathways. The subjects offered in each pathway are dependent on the number of GCSEs gained and in which subjects. Please see information below on pathways. More guidance can be found on this in our prospectus which can be found here:

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## Pathway 1

Subjects available to those students who achieved 8 GCSEs at grades 9-4 on the new grading system or their BTEC equivalents, including English Language or Literature and Maths. Subjects will ask for specific grades in their own subject as well as in English and possibly Maths and the Sciences as well so please check the subject pages of the prospectus to make sure you are aware of the entry requirements for each course.

## Pathway 2

Subjects available to those students who achieved 5 GCSEs at Grades 9-4 on the new grading system or their equivalents, including English Language or Literature and Maths. Subjects will also ask for specific grades in their own subject as well as in English and possibly Maths and the Sciences so please look at the subject pages in the prospectus to

ensure that you understand the entry requirements for the courses that you are interested in.

## **The Application Process**

There are a number of key stages to the application process for VI Form. It is important to remember that your ability to meet deadlines is a key feature of this process. All students, whether internal or external, will be expected to complete this application process. The application process includes the following stages:

### **November - Stage One: VI Form Introduction Assembly**

An Assembly for current Year 11 students explaining the application process.

### **November - Stage Two: VI Form Open Evening**

VI Form Open Evening takes place in early November each year

**November/December** – External student/parent tours (bookable)

### **November - Stage Three: VI Form Student/Subject Sessions**

Opportunity for prospective VI Form students to attend a 'Student Subject Session'. These will be held over a two-week period and will give the students the opportunity to talk with current VI Form students that are already following the courses they have interest in. This will also give them an opportunity to look at exemplar work.

### **December - Stage Four: Application**

Completion and submission of the VI Form application form which will now be made available online.

### **January - Stage Five: VI Form Taster Day**

This is an opportunity for any prospective VI Form students to participate in the A level lessons of their choice.

### **February - Stage Six: VI Form Interview week**

An interview with a member of the VI Form team to discuss your application to the VI Form.

### **February - Stage Seven: VI Form Confirmation**

All applicants will receive a letter to confirm the Academy's decision on whether they have or have not secured a place in the VI Form from September 2021 and outline the academic entry requirements for the courses selected.

### **April - Stage Eight: VI Form Application Check**

All successful students will meet with a member of the VI Form team to discuss their progress with regards to the entry requirements for each subject they have opted for. Where there may be some doubt regarding the student reaching their targets a plan of action will be generated.

**July - Stage Nine: VI Form Taster Days**

All applicants are invited to take part in the induction to VI Form in July – actual dates will be confirmed further into the application process.

**August - Stage Ten: GCSE Results Day**

Students receive their GCSE results at the end of August 2021. There will be a post-examination advice clinic available for those students who need to discuss their results and the impact that these may have on entering our VI Form. Students may enrol on this day if there have the entry requirements to study their chosen subjects.

**September - Stage Eleven: VI Form Enrolment Day**

Following the publication of the GCSE results there will be a formal registration process into the VI Form with final subjects being selected. This will be prior to the start of the new academic year – actual dates to be confirmed but this will take place in the first week of September 2021.