





Choosing the next step after GCSEs is an important decision for every Year 11 student. There are a variety of options to choose from and many providers. It is important that each student makes the choice that is right for them and we hope that the information in this prospectus will help inform your decision making.

At Bourne Grammar School, we aim to provide the best atmosphere, best support and best results for our Sixth Form students. We want to ensure that you leave us well-rounded, well-qualified and well-prepared for whatever challenges lie ahead, be that university, apprenticeship, employment or a gap-year.



Alastair Anderson
Headteacher

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The best choice of subjects

Working with our subject specialists, students just like you consistently go on to achieve superb results across the ability range, giving the widest range of options for when you move on after your Sixth Form career. The Sixth Form is a happy, vibrant place and has a truly special atmosphere.

The following A-Level subjects are available for September 2022:

Subject	Specification Number	Exam Board	Average class size (2021)
Biology	H420	OCR	17
Business	9BS0	Edexcel	24
Chemistry	H432	OCR	17
Computer Science	7517	AQA	13
Design Engineering	H404	OCR	10
Economics	9EC0	Edexcel	21
English Language	7702	AQA	21
English Literature	7712	AQA	11
Fine Art	9FA0	Edexcel	14
French	7652	AQA	5
Further Mathematics	H245	OCR	11
Geography	H481	OCR	24
German	7662	AQA	2
History	7042	AQA	16
Law	7162	AQA	24
Mathematics	H240	OCR	21
Media Studies	H409	OCR	21
Music	7272	AQA	10
Physical Education	7582	AQA	17
Physics	7408	AQA	13
Politics	9PLO	Edexcel	17
Psychology	7182	AQA	14
Religious Studies	WJEC Eduqas	WJEC Eduqas	25
Sociology	7192	AQA	26
Spanish	7692	AQA	8
Theatre Studies	7262	AQA	6

There is no minimum set size so all subjects will run from September 2022.

Visit our website for full details of the specification for each A-Level subject offered:

www.bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk → Sixth Form → A-Level Subjects

The Sixth Form study programme

Students who join the Sixth Form in Year 12 can choose to study the following:

- Three A-Level subjects, *or*
- Four A-Level subjects (by agreement with the Head of Sixth Form). Please remember that university applications require only three A-Levels.

The A-Level qualification is a two-year course which students will start in September 2022 and take their final A-Level exams in May/June 2024.



2020 A-Level Results Day

A new way to study

Sixth Form is the bridge between school and university, training or employment. Our unique programme of study is designed to allow independence and flexibility. You manage your time and we minimise obstructions.

You will have nine hour-long lessons per two-week cycle for each subject, and ten periods of supervised study in our Sixth Form Centre.

A typical timetable for a Year 12 student studying three A-Level subjects looks like this:

Week	Day		Period 1	Period 2		Period 3		Period 4	Period 5
		08:50 - 09:10	09:15 - 10:15	10:20 - 11:20		11:40 - 12:40		13:30 - 14:30	14:35 - 15:35
1	Mon	Registration	Study	Chemistry	Break		Lunch	Maths	Biology
	Tues	Assembly	Lecture	Maths		Study		Chemistry	Chemistry
	Wed	Registration	Biology	Biology		Study		Enrichment	Enrichment
	Thurs	Registration				Chemistry		Maths	Study
	Fri	Registration	Biology			Maths		Chemistry	Study
2	Mon	Registration	Chemistry	Maths		Biology			Study
	Tues	Assembly	Lecture	Chemistry		Biology		Study	Maths
	Wed	Registration		Study				Biology	Enrichment
	Thurs	Registration	Maths	Maths		Biology		Study	Chemistry
	Fri	Registration	Chemistry			Study		Maths	Biology

The best support from a specialist team

The Head of Sixth Form is **Mrs Shales**, a Mathematics teacher, who leads the Sixth Form team. Mrs Shales is supported by the Heads of Year 12 and 13, **Mrs Lattimer** and **Mr Lawrence**, who are both experienced teachers.

All our teachers are **subject specialists** who will help you to develop your knowledge throughout the Sixth Form. In some subjects it is normal to have two teachers although for others you will have just one.

Your **personal tutor** will help to support your academic progress and well-being as well as helping you to address any concerns that you may have during your time with us.

UCAS and Careers are led by **Mrs Hawkins**. As well as careers advice, she can provide advice on choosing and applying for university courses and alternatives such as apprenticeships and employment. You will also have access to *Unifrog*, an online system designed to help you research university courses, apprenticeships and other post-18 opportunities.

Our Student Manager, **Mrs Ford**, is located in the Student Office near the main school reception. She is your first port of call if you have any pastoral concerns. She is available throughout the school day. You do not need to make an appointment to see her.

Mrs Nicholls and **Mrs McCrudden** are our Sixth Form student managers, who supervise the Year 13 study room and deal with administrative matters such as authorised absence (medical appointments etc.), study leave arrangements, 16-19 Bursary applications and general queries. You can also see them for pastoral issues or if you need to see your Head of Year.

Mrs Everist is located in the Sixth Form Centre and deals with administrative matters for Year 12 students.

Please contact Mrs Hawkins via sixthform@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk if you have any questions regarding A-Level subject choice, university requirements, careers advice, apprenticeships or any other information that you need to help you make the right choice

What to wear

There is no Sixth Form uniform. This is one of the big changes you experience as you move from Year 11 to Year 12. The guiding principle for dress in the Sixth Form is that you should wear clothes which are smart and not casual. This gives you the freedom to wear clothes in which you feel comfortable and which reflect your personality, style and preference.

Visit our website for further guidance on Sixth Form dress:

www.bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk → Sixth Form → Sixth Form Dress Guidelines

Ultimate flexibility

In our Sixth Form, you will be afforded the freedom to focus on what matters. From 08:15 you can arrive early to study or socialise if you wish. Once you have finished your last lesson, whenever that is, you are free to go home or to relax, perhaps with a freshly-made panini and barista coffee in our Sixth Form-only café.

At break and lunch you can nip off-site for an early lunch at McDonalds, Costa, Subway or Tesco - whatever works best for you. A personalised lanyard allows you to sign in and out securely.

Personal mentoring

The Sixth Form is an exciting next step in your education but we recognise that it is very different from your previous school experience. We have completely reimagined tutoring to ensure that our Sixth Form students enjoy a vibrant programme to help them get the most from their time with us.

You will have a one-to-one meeting with your personal tutor once every 2-3 weeks to go through what matters to you. Perhaps you want a hand getting organised with your notes; maybe your CV or personal statement for university needs reviewing, or you have an academic or pastoral issue. Whatever the case, your meetings with your personal tutor are the opportunity to have a private, supportive discussion focused on helping you achieve your potential.



Post-18 destinations

Of the 226 students in Year 13 in the academic year 2020/21:

- 193 (85%) applied to university *via* UCAS
- 180 (93%) of students who applied to university, secured a place

Of those that secured a place at university:

- 2 students are now studying at Oxbridge
- 6 students secured a place to read Medicine
- 1 student has accepted and deferred a place to read Medicine

The number of students choosing alternatives to university is gradually increasing. Good A-Level grades are still a prerequisite and can help to secure apprenticeships and employment opportunities for those who choose an alternative to university. At the conclusion of their studies in 2020/21, 14 of our students either went on to start work or take up apprenticeships with employers such as Amazon.

Above and beyond

Although our proven track record of consistent, excellent results gives you the best chance of success for whichever path you choose to follow once you leave our Sixth Form, it is not just about results. Outside of lessons we have a packed enrichment and lecture programme to help ensure that you develop a diverse range of experiences and skills ready for when you move on to your next step.

Some students use the time for work experience or volunteering; others work with students lower down the School or participate in sporting activities. Our weekly lecture series attracts high-profile speakers from professional sports-people to charity-workers and business-people.



Results

Subject	2021 A-Level Results				2020 A-Level Results			
	Entries	%A*-A	%A*-C	%A*-E	Entries	%A*-A	%A*-C	%A*-E
Biology	74	41%	78%	100%	50	36%	86%	100%
Business	30	27%	93%	100%	29	28%	86%	100%
Chemistry	67	51%	91%	100%	47	43%	79%	100%
Computer Science	9	56%	100%	100%	15	47%	87%	100%
Design Engineering	17	59%	100%	100%	7	57%	100%	100%
Theatre Studies	20	85%	100%	100%	20	65%	100%	100%
Economics	28	61%	93%	100%	16	44%	100%	100%
English Language	33	49%	97%	100%	16	25%	94%	100%
English Literature	33	49%	94%	100%	27	41%	100%	100%
Fine Art	14	43%	100%	100%	10	40%	100%	100%
French	2	100%	100%	100%	4	50%	100%	100%
Further Mathematics	8	88%	100%	100%	16	75%	88%	100%
Geography	20	75%	100%	100%	15	40%	100%	100%
German	2	100%	100%	100%	2	50%	100%	100%
History	29	69%	100%	100%	21	76%	100%	100%
Law	17	53%	100%	100%	15	60%	100%	100%
Mathematics	83	64%	95%	100%	76	59%	86%	100%
Media Studies	23	48%	91%	100%	19	32%	100%	100%
Music	3	67%	100%	100%	2	50%	100%	100%
Physical Education	6	17%	100%	100%	10	30%	60%	100%
Physics	39	46%	87%	100%	35	49%	83%	100%
Politics	6	33%	100%	100%	6	67%	100%	100%
Psychology	57	39%	97%	100%	35	43%	100%	100%
Religious Studies	24	50%	100%	100%	13	38%	92%	100%
Sociology	27	37%	93%	100%	19	26%	95%	100%
Spanish	20	70%	100%	100%	13	77%	100%	100%

Sixth Form Entry Criteria for 2022

Students require a minimum of seven GCSE passes comprising:

- In every case you must achieve a Grade 4 or better in each of English Language and Mathematics
- In addition to the above, you must achieve a minimum of five 9-4 grades in any other subjects

Biology	Grade 6 in Mathematics <i>or</i> Grade 7 in Statistics, <i>and either</i> : Students who have studied Combined Science Trilogy: Grade 7-7 <i>or</i> Students who have studied Triple Award Science: Grade 7 in GCSE Biology
Business	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Chemistry	Grade 7 in Mathematics <i>and either</i> : Students who have studied Combined Science Trilogy: Grade 7-7 <i>or</i> Students who have studied Triple Award Science: Grade 7 in GCSE Chemistry
Computer Science	Grade 6 in GCSE Computer Science <i>or</i> Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics
Design Engineering	Grade 6 in GCSE Design Engineering/Design Technology <i>or</i> Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics
Economics	Grade 7 in GCSE Mathematics or Statistics <i>and</i> Grade 5 in English Language or Literature
English Language	Grade 6 in GCSE English Language or Literature
English Literature	Grade 6 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Fine Art	Grade 6 in GCSE Art <i>or</i> Distinction in BTEC Art Level 2
French	Grade 6 in GCSE French
Further Mathematics <i>It is strongly advised that students have Grade 9 in GCSE Mathematics when choosing Further Mathematics</i>	Grade 9 in GCSE Mathematics <i>or</i> Grade 8 in GCSE Mathematics with a fourth subject taken in addition to Further Mathematics
Geography	Grade 6 in GCSE Geography
German	Grade 6 in GCSE German
History	Grade 6 in GCSE History <i>and</i> Grade 6 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Law	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Mathematics	Grade 7 in GCSE Mathematics
Media Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Music	Grade 6 in GCSE Music, if studied, <i>or</i> must be an able performer (Grade 5+) and will have undertaken theory work of Grade 5 standard

With 26 A-Level subjects on offer, there has never been a more exciting time to study with us - the best range of academic subjects, taught by the best staff, in and with the best facilities.

Physical Education <i>Students who wish to study PE at A-Level should be active participants in competitive sport; the PE department can advise</i>	Grade 6 in GCSE PE, if studied, <i>or</i> Students who have studied Combined Science Trilogy: Grade 6-6 <i>or</i> Students who have studied Triple Award Science: Grade 6 in GCSE Biology
Physics	Grade 7 in Mathematics <i>and either:</i> Students who have studied Combined Science Trilogy: Grade 7-7 <i>or</i> Students who have studied Triple Award Science: Grade 7 in GCSE Physics
Politics	Grade 6 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Psychology	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature, and Students who have studied Combined Science Trilogy: Grade 6-6 <i>or</i> Students who have studied Triple Award Science: Grade 6 in GCSE Biology
Religious Studies	Grade 6 in GCSE Religious Studies <i>or</i> Grade 6 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Sociology	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature
Spanish	Grade 6 in GCSE Spanish
Theatre Studies	Grade 6 in GCSE Drama <i>or</i> Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature

How to apply for a Sixth Form place

All applications must be made *via* the School website and before the deadline date of 17:00 on Friday 7 January 2022

Visit our website for our Sixth Form Admission Policy including oversubscription criteria:

www.bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk → Sixth Form → Applying to the Sixth Form

We do not interview students and do not ask for predicted GCSE grades prior to offering a Sixth Form place. Offer letters will be issued before the end of March 2022 and students will be invited to attend a Sixth Form Induction Day shortly after the end of the GCSE exams.

GCSE results are issued on **Thursday 25 August 2022**. All Sixth Form applicants must confirm their A-Level subject choices and complete their enrolment by **15:00 on Friday 26 August 2022**. *It is advisable to not be away on holiday on GCSE Results Day.*

We aim to email confirmation of your Sixth Form place and A-Level subject choices as soon as possible.

