# Y9 GCSE Options Process

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### Choosing your Options



- Y9 students have reached a very important stage in their education, where they have to make several options about the subjects they will study in Y10 and Y11.
- This needs to be considered carefully to ensure that they choose the right subjects that they enjoy and that they are likely to be successful in.
- We have developed a comprehensive Options process to help students make the best choice for them:
  - Options booklet
  - Options stalls
  - Options lessons
  - Help and guidance from teachers and other staff



#### **Options Booklet**



- The Options Booklet that you have been given has all of the information that you need to know about each subject:
  - Summary
  - Course Content
  - Subject Units and Assessment Outline
  - Why Study..?
  - Progression and Future Career Paths
  - What Students Say
  - Revision Materials
  - Contact



## Compulsory Subjects

Be yourself,

always



These are the subjects that students have to study:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Core PE
- PSHCE



## Non- Compulsory Subjects



#### These are the subjects that students have a choice to study:

| Art & Design            | Business          | Computer<br>Science* | Personal<br>Development<br>Programme* | Creative<br>Design &<br>Production | Creative iMedia      |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Engineering             | Food &<br>Cookery | French               | Further Maths*                        | Geography                          | Health &<br>Fitness  |
| Health & Social<br>Care | History           | Music Practice       | Performing Arts                       | Psychology*                        | Religious<br>Studies |

<sup>\*</sup> These subjects have some restrictions on who can choose to study them.



#### Pathways



- To help ensure that students choose the subjects which are most suitable for them, students have been divided into different pathways based on teacher knowledge and assessment data.
- In your Options Booklet is the pathway(s) that you have been allocated.
- This details the subjects that are available to study and how many options they should choose.



#### Green Pathway



- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Combined Science
- Geography OR History
- 2 x Option Choices

| Option Choices               |                      |  |
|------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Art & Design                 | Business             |  |
| Creative Design & Production | Creative iMedia      |  |
| Engineering                  | Food & Cookery       |  |
| French                       | Geography            |  |
| Health & Fitness             | Health & Social Care |  |
| History                      | Music Practice       |  |
| Performing Arts              | Religious Studies    |  |



### Blue Pathway



- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Triple Science
- Geography OR History
- 1 x Option Choice
- Further Maths (recommended)

| Option Choices       |                              |  |  |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Art & Design         | Business                     |  |  |
| Computer Science     | Creative Design & Production |  |  |
| Creative iMedia      | Engineering                  |  |  |
| Food & Cookery       | French                       |  |  |
| Geography            | Health & Fitness             |  |  |
| Health & Social Care | History                      |  |  |
| Music Practice       | Performing Arts              |  |  |
| Psychology           | Religious Studies            |  |  |



### Orange Pathway



- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Combined Science
- Geography OR History
- 2 x Option Choices
- Further Maths (recommended)

| Option Choices       |                              |  |  |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Art & Design         | Business                     |  |  |
| Computer Science     | Creative Design & Production |  |  |
| Creative iMedia      | Engineering                  |  |  |
| Food & Cookery       | French                       |  |  |
| Geography            | Health & Fitness             |  |  |
| Health & Social Care | History                      |  |  |
| Music Practice       | Performing Arts              |  |  |
| Psychology           | Religious Studies            |  |  |



## Red Pathway



- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Combined Science
- Geography OR History
- 2 x Option Choices

| Option Choices       |                              |  |  |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Art & Design         | Business                     |  |  |
| Computer Science     | Creative Design & Production |  |  |
| Creative iMedia      | Engineering                  |  |  |
| Food & Cookery       | French                       |  |  |
| Geography            | Health & Fitness             |  |  |
| Health & Social Care | History                      |  |  |
| Music Practice       | Performing Arts              |  |  |
| Psychology           | Religious Studies            |  |  |



## Purple Pathway



- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Combined Science
- ASDAN PDP
- 2 x Option Choices

| Option Choices               |                      |  |
|------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Art & Design                 | Business             |  |
| Creative Design & Production | Creative iMedia      |  |
| Engineering                  | Food & Cookery       |  |
| French                       | Geography            |  |
| Health & Fitness             | Health & Social Care |  |
| History                      | Music Practice       |  |
| Performing Arts              | Religious Studies    |  |



#### Next Steps



#### Tonight:

- Visit the Options Stalls
- Talk to teachers during your appointments.
- Visit the Careers Fair.

- Read the Options booklet.
- Submit completed options form by Friday 8th March.

