

Notre Dame High School Sixth Form

Subjects and Entry Requirements September 2024

Notre Dame is a warm and welcoming community with students joining us from around 35 different secondary schools each year, these students make up 40-50% of Y12, with the remaining 50-60% from our own Y11. We are a comprehensive, diverse and inclusive Sixth Form and welcome students from all backgrounds and communities. Each year, 95% of our Y13 students take up a place at university, many of them on courses at some of the country's most competitive institutions.

For entry into our Sixth Form, students first need to achieve our minimum entry requirements (MIN). These are a grade 4 or above in Maths **AND** grade 5 in English Language **OR** English Literature, **AND** 3 other GCSEs at grade 4 or above. Many subjects then have additional requirements you can see below.

Where a student hasn't achieved a grade 4 in English Language or Maths, **BUT** has met all other standard requirements, we will admit that student on the condition they take a re-sit in the relevant subject. We cannot admit students who haven't achieved a grade 4 or above in both English Language **AND** Maths, even if they have met all other entry requirements.

A subject may not run if the number of students opting for that subject is too low to make it viable.

Subject	Additional GCSE requirements
Art	4 in Art, Graphics, Textiles or Photography or a skills portfolio
Biology	6 in Biology or 6-6 in combined Science and 6 in Maths
Business Studies	4 if studied at GCSE
Chemistry	6 in Chemistry or 6-6 in combined Science and 6 in Maths
Computer Science	5 in Computer Science/Computing and 5 in Maths
D&T	4 in D & T
Drama	4 if studied at GCSE
Economics	5 in Maths
English Language	5 in English Language and English Literature
English Literature	5 in English Language and English Literature
French	6 in French
Further Maths	7 in Maths
Geography	5 if studied at GCSE
Government & Politics	MIN
Health & Social Care	MIN
History	5 if studied at GCSE
Maths	6 in Maths
Music	6 in Music or grade V on instrument
PE	5 in PE and proof of involvement in competitive sport in an activity on the syllabus
Physics	6 in Physics or 6-6 in combined Science and 6 in Maths
Psychology	MIN
Philosophy, Religion & Ethics	5 in RE if studied at GCSE
Photography	4 in Art, Graphics, Textiles or Photography or a skills portfolio
Sociology	MIN
Spanish	6 in Spanish





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