

# Specific Minimum Entry Requirements for Sixth Form Courses (GCSE Grades), Entry 2025



## William Perkin Church of England High School Sixth Form Application, Entry September 2025

This form has been designed to take you through the decision making process and help you to gather the relevant information before you complete the online form. **You will need to complete your application online at: <https://williamperkin.org.uk/attending-our-school/admissions>**

**ALL APPLICANTS WILL BE CONTACTED VIA EMAIL**  
Please ensure that you write your email address clearly

Subject	Entry Requirements
BIOLOGY	Grade 77 in Double Science or Grade 777 in Triple Science with a 7 in Biology Grade 6 in Mathematics is also required
BUSINESS STUDIES	Grade 6 in English (Literature or Language) <b>and</b> Grade 5 in Mathematics
CHEMISTRY	Grade 77 in Double Science or Grade 777 in Triple Science with a 7 in Chemistry Grade 6 in Mathematics is also required
COMPUTER SCIENCE	Grade 7 in Computer Science, or Grade 7 in Maths <b>and</b> either Grade 76 in Double Science or Grade 666 in Triple Science. Must have programming experience.
ECONOMICS	Grade 76 in Mathematics <b>and</b> English (Literature or Language) the Grade 7 can be in either Mathematics or an English
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	Grade 6 in GCSE English Language <b>and</b> 6 in another Humanity (e.g. RE, History, Geography or English Lit).
ENGLISH LITERATURE	Grade 76 in English Language <b>and</b> English Literature (the 7 can be in either language or literature)
FRENCH	Grade 7 in French
FURTHER MATHS	Grade 9 in GCSE Mathematics
GEOGRAPHY	Grade 7 in Geography <b>and</b> Grade 6 in English (Literature or Language)
GERMAN	Grade 7 in German
HISTORY	Grade 7 in History <b>and</b> Grade 6 in English (Literature or Language)
MATHEMATICS	Grade 7 in Mathematics
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Grade 6 in PE <b>or</b> 66 in science. Students should also play for an external sports team
PHYSICS	Grade 77 in Double Science or Grade 777 in Triple Science <b>and</b> Grade 7 in Physics Grade 6 in Mathematics also required
POLITICS	Grade 6 in English (Literature or Language) <b>and</b> a Grade 6 in Humanity (History, Geography, or RE).
PSYCHOLOGY	Grade 6 in English (Literature or Language) <b>and</b> Grade 6 in Mathematics.
RELIGION, PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS	Grade 6 in RE <b>and</b> Grade 6 in English (Language or Literature)
SOCIOLOGY	Grade 6 in English (Language or Literature) <b>and</b> 6 in another Humanity (e.g. RE, History, Geography or Sociology)

**FORNAMES OF STUDENT** .....

**SURNAME** .....

**DATE OF BIRTH** .....

**HOME ADDRESS** .....

**POST CODE** .....

**STUDENT MOBILE** .....

**STUDENT EMAIL** .....

**PLEASE CONFIRM STUDENT EMAIL** .....

**Do you have a statement of Special Educational Needs or an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC)?**

YES		NO	
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**EXTERNAL APPLICANTS**

Current school (if not William Perkin) .....

School address .....

School office email .....

Current Head of Year .....

**Parent or Carer details:**

Forename .....

Surname .....

Relationship to Child .....

Primary Contact Number .....Email .....

## General Entry Requirements

- To start an A Level programme of **3 A Levels**, you need to pass **at least 8 GCSEs including** Maths and English with a grade 5, equivalent or better.
- To start an A Level programme of **4 A Levels**, you need to pass **at least 8 GCSEs** including Maths and English with an average GCSE grade score of 7.5 or better (equivalent to roughly half of your grades at 7 and half at 8).
- Refer also to the “Entrance Criteria for William Perkin Sixth Form Academic Year 2025-26” (“**Entrance Criteria Policy**”).

## Individual Course Requirements

- In some courses, students are set by ability and/or require a higher level of entry to ensure the right preparation for high level university courses.
- Refer to the “Specific Minimum Entry Requirements for Sixth Form Courses (GCSE Grades), Entry 2025” (provided on the back page).

## Course Selection

You should choose **one subject from each block in order of priority**. Each subject has its own entry requirements which will appear below the courses you select.

In some subjects students are set by ability and/or require a higher level of entry to ensure the right preparation for high level university courses.

Remember that you **can apply for any combination of subjects, providing that they are each in a different timetable block**, and that your GCSE grades in August match with the entrance requirements.

**The Below Sixth form Subject option block are provisional and subject to changes:**

Block A	Block B	Block C	Block D
Computer Science	Biology	Economics	Physics
Mathematics	Business Studies	Sociology	Psychology
Physical Education	Chemistry	Business Studies	Religion, Philosophy and Ethics
Psychology	Economics	Chemistry	Mathematics
History	English Literature	Biology	Biology
English Language	Geography	French	Further Math
Chemistry	German	Mathematics	Politics
	Physics	Maths for Further Maths	

Having looked at the grid please list your choices in order of priority.

Subject	Block	Entrance requirement
1.		
2.		
3.		

If you expect to achieve an average point score of 7.5 or above you may consider a 4th A level:

Subject	Block	Entrance requirement
4.		

Now give a brief reason for your choices (you may wish to focus on the subjects you have put first and second):

## Admissions Test

Applicants from outside William Perkin CoE High School (“external applicants”) who do not fall into Priority 1 or 2, as referred to in the Entrance Criteria Policy, and who have applied by the December deadline will be invited to undertake relevant pre-admissions tests.

Are you a looked after child or previously looked after child (LAC/PLAC)? \*

YES		NO	
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**If Yes:**

As a looked after or previously looked after child, you fall into Priority 1 of our second allocation of places in the Entrance Criteria. This means that you will automatically receive a conditional offer from the school.

However, internal students and students from Priority 1 or 2 of the second allocation of places are still required to take the pre-admissions test so that the school has additional prior attainment data on all students when they join William CofE High School sixth form. The score on your test will not impact your conditional offer.

## General Pre-Admissions Testing:

All external applicants who do not fall into Priority 1 or 2 and who have applied by the 2nd December deadline will be required to sit a general aptitude test based on verbal reasoning and Maths aptitude.

## Language Pre-Admissions Testing:

In addition to the general aptitude test, external applicants who do not fall into Priority 1 or 2 and who have applied by the 2nd December deadline:

(a) who have chosen options in French or German will be expected to sit a Language aptitude test.

Please refer to the “Sixth Form Admissions Timeline” for further information on pre-admissions testing.

A minimum of 30 **conditional offers will be made on the outcome of these tests, based on the highest performance in each category of pre-admissions tests as follows:**

- A minimum of 20 conditional offers will be issued from the General Pre-Admissions Test;
- A minimum of 10 conditional offers will be issued from the Language Pre-Admissions Test.

## Admissions Test Selection:

All external applicants who do not fall into Priority 1 or 2 as referred to in the Entrance Criteria Policy must take the General Admissions Test or we will be unable to take your application forward.

Please tick all the pre-admissions test(s) that are applicable to your application:

- I am applying to take the General Admissions Test based on verbal reasoning and Maths aptitude;
- I am applying to take the Language test (as one of chosen options is French or German).

## Exam access arrangements

Are you entitled to exam access arrangements (which means you would be entitled to 25% extra time in all public exams)?

YES		NO	
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If you are entitled to 25% extra time in public (GCSE) exams, you will also be entitled to 25% extra time in the general pre-admissions test. We will contact you in advance of you sitting the test to ask you to provide evidence from your school (we would need to see your ‘Form 8’) to prove that this is the case for you.

## FINALLY some reminders:

- This is a **Sample form**, please complete the online application form.
- The closing deadline for all applications is **Monday 2nd December 2024** (this is for all students both those currently at William Perkin CofE High School and those applying from any other school).