

FURTHER EDUCATION OPTIONS

The GCSE exams mark the end of compulsory education.

You now have to choose whether to remain in education or go into employment.



Further Education Options

The Advanced Learning Programme at JCG

- 3 Core Subjects (A levels)
 - 21 subjects to choose from (+ Business Studies, Economics, Music Technology at collaboration schools)
 - 15 hours per week
- Electives
 - Compulsory Post-18 session – 1 hour per week
 - Chosen courses – 4 hours per week
- Entry Criteria
 - 5 A*-B grades with a minimum of C in English Language and a 5 in Mathematics
 - Specific entry criteria for each subject

The Advanced Learning Programme

Core Subjects – A levels

- Choose 3
- 5 hours of lessons per week per subject = 15 hours
- A minimum of 5 hours per week of independent study per subject = 15 hours
- Internal exams at the end of each term
- External exams taken at the end of Year 13, no AS exams in Year 12

How to Decide

- RESEARCH!
 - Y11 Options Evening – Thursday 17 November
 - Taster Lessons
- Factors to consider:
 - Your strengths
 - Subjects you enjoy
 - Your plans for Higher Education
 - Your career aspirations
- Morrisby Online Profile – 2 November
- Year 11 Interviews - November

Facilitating Subjects

Choosing your A level subjects carefully is really important – especially if you have aspirations to study at a leading university.

<http://www.russellgroup.ac.uk/>

Some A level subjects are more frequently required for entry to degree courses than others. These subjects are called ‘facilitating’ because choosing them at A level leaves open a wide range of options for university study.

Facilitating Subjects

- Biology
- Chemistry
- English Literature
- Geography
- History
- Mathematics & Further Mathematics
- Modern & Classical Languages
- Physics

If you don't know what you want to study at university then it's a really good rule of thumb that taking two facilitating subjects will keep a wide range of degree courses open to you.

<http://www.russellgroup.ac.uk/for-students/school-and-college-in-the-uk/subject-choices-at-school-and-college/>

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Electives

- Variety of courses to choose from + compulsory Post- 18 lesson = 5 hours of lessons per week
- Some courses will also require independent study outside of lessons
- Course length varies from 1 term to 2 years
- Courses vary from 1-3 lessons per week
- Some courses will lead to a qualification e.g. Certificate/Diploma in Financial Studies, EPQ, AS/A2 Further Mathematics

Advantages of the Advanced Learning Programme

- Fewer core subjects = more time to focus on each
- No external exams in Year 12 = more teaching time to cover core content
- Increased number of study periods in Year 12
- Opportunity to increase depth of study in core subjects
- Opportunity to increase breadth of study via elective courses
- Opportunity to develop the key skills university admissions tutor and employers are looking for – curiosity, communication, teamwork, initiative, lifelong learning, creativity, leadership...



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Other Further Education Options

- A levels or IB at other Sixth Form Providers
- BTEC courses at other Sixth Form Providers
- Technical and Vocational BTEC courses at Highlands

Any Questions?

