

Policy for Dropping or Changing GCSE Subjects

Options covered

With the exception of those beginning Year 9 on a reduced curriculum, all students study the following subjects:

- English Literature
- English Language
- Mathematics
- Double or Triple Science
- BH or IGCSE RS
- 3 Options

This is a minimum of 9 GCSEs and a maximum of 10.

Changing Option Subjects

Students will be able to change option subjects up until the Summer term of Year 9. Students can only change into a course if the Subject leader agrees that it is feasible for the student to catch up on the work missed. Requests should be made to the Year Leader who will then process the request and notify parents of the decision. Students who change course must catch up the work within the timeframe set by the subject leader.

Dropping Option Subjects

Students will not be allowed to drop option subjects in Year 9-11 unless they have an ongoing medical issue that has been documented and is known to the school. In this scenario, permission should be requested via the Year Leader who will pass on the request to the Assistant Headteacher (Pastoral). The request will be considered and the parents will be notified of the decision.

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