



Year 12 Firm Options 2015/16

Please choose the subjects that you wish to study from September from the options menu overleaf.

Please read the following guidance carefully before making your choices:

1. Students should choose **4 AS** subjects to study in Y12, with the expectation that most students will reduce this to 3 A level subjects in Y13.
2. **One choice only** may be selected in the option column.
3. **All** students in Years 12 and 13 will study the Welsh Baccalaureate. This is an overarching qualification which includes AS/A2 subjects. **To achieve the Welsh Baccalaureate, students must have an A*-C in English and Mathematics at GCSE level, attain at least two A*-E grades at A level and pass the Skills Challenge Certificate.**
4. All subjects are offered at AS level and the AS examinations will be at the end of Year 12. AS examinations will take place in June.
5. Please choose your subject combinations carefully, especially if you have a career in mind that requires specific 'A' level qualifications to enter University e.g. medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, engineering. If in doubt consult your subject teachers, careers advisor or the UCAS website.
6. Guidance from Universities on subject choice, and number of subjects to be studied, may be obtained from the UCAS web site (www.ucas.com). Degree courses, for which there is a lot of entry competition, such as; English, Medicine, Pharmacy, Law, Dentistry, Veterinary Science, may require **4 AS** subjects to be studied and particular subject combinations
7. All subjects are offered by the School, on the understanding that the LA makes sufficient resources available, to offer them. Thus, the School reserves the right to cancel courses that do not attract sufficient student interest or offer them in collaboration at one of the Partner Schools (Cathays, Llanishen and Whitchurch High Schools).
8. Please note that:
 - **The Exam Boards prohibit the study of Computing and Information Technology together to A2 level.** Due to Staffing and resource issues only 2 groups will be timetabled, and the courses that are run may depend on the balance of student choice i.e. Computing only, or Computing & IT, or IT only
 - If you are considering the study of Further Mathematics you must consult the Head of Mathematics.
9. Some subjects are only offered at partner schools (see table overleaf). Where more than two subjects are selected at partner schools, it is recommended that the student enrolls at that school.

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Option A	Option B	Option C	Option D	Option E
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will circle the 4 subjects that you wish to study You may only choose 1 subject in each column 				
Art	Chemistry	Biology	Product Design	Biology
Business Studies	English Literature	Chemistry	Product Design - Textiles	Business Studies
French	Geography	Computing	Economics	English Literature
History	Law	German	Psychology	Mathematics
Information Technology	Mathematics	English Literature	Religious Studies	Media Studies
Physics	Further Mathematics	History	Welsh	Music
Sociology	Psychology	Physical Education		
	Theatre Studies			

Collaborative Options

- Subjects may be available at partner schools, in particular Llanishen High, where subject combinations are not available at Cardiff High School
- Please note that acceptance on these courses depends upon demands placed by full time students registered at the host school
- Option block positions are not currently available for these subjects
- Please see Mrs Falcus – Assistant Headteacher (Curriculum) for more information

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Subjects

AS Politics

BTEC Performing Arts (Single Award)

BTEC Sport Level 3 (Double option)