

Key Stage 4 Curriculum at Winchmore School

Winchmore School's key stage 4 curriculum is designed to provide appropriate challenge and support for our students. We aim to ensure that students of all abilities are catered for by running 6 different pathways to achieve the best outcomes possible, in terms of academic success, life chances and the development of cultural capital. Our curriculum is broad and varied, with both academic and vocational qualifications, providing opportunities for our students to grow and to fulfil their potential.

Pathways at KS4

EBACC PATHWAY	HUMANITIES PATHWAY	LANGUAGES PATHWAY	OPEN PATHWAY	CORE PATHWAY	STUDIO PATHWAY
COMPULSORY CORE CURRICULUM ENGLISH LANGUAGE • ENGLISH LITERATURE • MATHS • COMBINED SCIENCE RSHE (non examined) • PE (non examined)					FUNCTIONAL SKILLS ENGLISH GCSE MATHS and GCSE COMBINED SCIENCE
+	+	+	+	+	
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION					Additional lessons in ENGLISH LANGUAGE, ENGLISH LITERATURE, MATHS and COMBINED SCIENCE
+	+	+	+		
GEOGRAPHY or HISTORY both can be chosen - put the second subject down as 'Choice 2'	GEOGRAPHY or HISTORY both can be chosen - put the second subject down as 'Choice 2'	FRENCH, GERMAN or SPANISH	Choose four first choices and two reserve choices from the list below:	ENGLISH LANGUAGE, ENGLISH LITERATURE, MATHS and COMBINED SCIENCE	
+	+	+		+	+
FRENCH, GERMAN or SPANISH Choose two first choices and two reserve choices from the list below:	Choose three first choices and two reserve choices from the list below:	Choose three first choices and two reserve choices from the list below:		Choose three first choices and two reserve choices from the list below:	A combination of other GCSEs, vocational or other courses as appropriate
PLEASE CHECK THE ENTRY CRITERIA OF EACH COURSE BEFORE SELECTING IT:					
GCSE Art, Craft and Design GCSE Art and Design: 3D Design (also known as Product Design) GCSE Business Studies GCSE Computing GCSE Digital Art (Graphic Communication)	GCSE Dance GCSE Drama GCSE Geography NCFE Level 2 Health & Fitness Eduqas Health and Social Care GCSE History	WJEC Level 2 Hospitality and Catering NCFE Interactive Media GCSE Media Studies GCSE Music BTEC Music Level 1/2 in Music Practice GCSE PE	GCSE Photography GCSE SEPARATE Science GCSE Sociology GCSE Textile Design GCSE Turkish		

Our KS4 curriculum caters for students of all abilities, from the most academic (EBACC Pathway, following the 'EBACC' principles) to the more flexible Open Pathway. Students following the Core Pathway have the additional support of booster lessons in the Core subjects, which enables them to continue their studies at Level 3 (Key Stage 5). We are proud to offer a wide range of Options choices, as listed above. In addition, in Year 10 we enter a large number of students each year for Community Language GCSEs (e.g. in Russian, Greek, Arabic, Turkish etc) and an increasing number take Level 2 Further Maths GCSE.

Hours of teaching per 2 week cycle

Subject	Hours of teaching per fortnight
English Language and Literature	9
Maths	8
Combined Science	9
MFL (French, German or Spanish)	5
RE	2
Options subjects (up to 4, depending on pathway)	5
RSHE (non-examined)	1.5
PE (non-examined)	2