

6th Form Admission criteria

In order to be eligible for admission into Year 13 an applicant must have achieved:

- 5 GCSEs at grades A*-C for entry to an A level course;
- A student should also have grade A*-B in the subjects to be studied at A level and have at least grade C in both English and maths;
- 4 GCSEs at grade A*- C for entry to a course of Applied A levels;
- A student should have at least grade C in either English or maths;

Then, if there are more students eligible than there are places available, places shall be awarded in the following order:

1. applicants with the highest GCSE score - an applicant's GCSE score being calculated on the basis of GCSE results as follows:

$$A^* = 6 C = 3$$
 $A = 5 D = 2$
 $B = 4 E = 1$

2. In the event of a tie, priority shall be established by computerised random selection.



ADDENDUM TO SIXTH FORM ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

ANNEX A

Criteria for all extra places made available by the Department of Education for admission into Year 13 (Sixth Form).

The Department of Education may, in response to a request from a school, increase the number of pupils that the school can admit to its Year 13. Places that become available in this way shall be allocated only to pupils who meet the basic eligibility criteria for Sixth Form study (as set out below) and shall be allocated in the order determined by the criteria to be applied in the order set down.

- 1. Pupils who have most recently completed Year 12 in Shimna Integrated College.
- 2. Pupils from other schools where admission has been agreed and additional places granted by the Department of Education.*

*Parents should note how the Department of Education (DE) will, in response to a school's request, temporarily increase a school's enrolment number in order to allow extra post -16 pupils to enrol. DE will only increase the school's enrolment number if it is content that each external pupil for whom a place is requested would not be able to pursue their post-16 course-choices at another suitable school without undertaking an unreasonable journey (i.e. a journey, that by public transport, would be over an hour from where the young person lives or is further than 15 miles distance). If DE finds that no other suitable school may provide all of the post-16 courses that the pupil wishes to pursue - then DE will agree a school's request for an extra place.