



ADMISSIONS POLICY, SIXTH FORM

Transfer from Year 11

Existing Year 11 students at Settle College wishing to enter into the Sixth Form will be able to do so providing they meet the minimum entry qualifications as set on the attached sheet.

Whilst the College will work with Year 11 students to ensure that they are able to continue their education at Settle College, should they wish, the criteria in the Admissions Policy are strictly adhered to in order to ensure that students do not start courses on which they are unlikely to be successful.

Year 12 entry

Students attending other schools in Year 11 are able to apply for places in Year 12 at Settle College. All applicants wishing to join the school for the first time in Year 12 are subject to the same entry qualifications as those set out below for existing students.

The Governing Body of the College will, under section 324 of the Education Act 1996, admit to the College a young person with a statement of special needs or Educational Healthcare Plan that names the College. This is not an oversubscription criterion. This relates only to young people who have undergone statutory assessment and for whom a final statement of special educational needs (SEN) has been issued and which has taken account of the Year 12 entry requirements.

If, following the admission of young people where the College is named in the statement of special educational needs (SEN), the number of applications to join the school for the first time exceeds the published admission number and further places cannot be provided, then the following oversubscription criteria will apply:

| ORDER OF PRIORITY: | Notes: |
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| <p><u>Priority Group 1:</u></p> <p>Young people in Public Care for whom an application has been submitted.</p> | <p><i>This applies to all looked-after young people, including those who are in the care of another local authority.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Priority Group 2 :</u></p> <p>Young people who will have a sibling on the College roll in September 2014.</p> | <p><i>Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent / carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Priority Group 3 :</u></p> <p>All other young people.</p> | |

Young people in higher numbered priority groups will be offered places ahead of those in lower numbered priority groups.

Tie break:

If there are not enough places for all the young people in one of these priority groups, we will give priority to those living nearest to the College.

Distance measurements are based on the nearest walked route from the applicant's home address to College. We measure from a fixed point within the dwelling, as identified by Ordnance Survey, to the nearest College entrance using an electronic mapping system.

Additional notes:

- Students in Year 11 at Settle College will only be admitted into the Sixth Form if in the



judgement of the Senior Leadership Team, a suitable course is available that is appropriate to their needs.

- Students are only able to study at Settle College in the Sixth Form if they are in full time courses ie 4 AS levels, 3 A levels or 2 Btecs and a work experience placement (resit GCSE English and Maths)
- Entrance into the Sixth Form is subject to the regulations regarding residency status and eligibility for study in UK schools Sixth Form courses that apply at the time.

Progression from AS to A2

Students should achieve at least a grade E in their AS subjects in Year 12, or pass the first year of their BTEC course, if they wish to continue into Year 13. The expectation is that students will continue onto 3 A2 courses. In exceptional circumstances students who achieve less than this may continue into Year 13, or repeat Year 12, at the College's discretion.

| The Application Process at Settle College | |
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| November | Sixth Form Open Evening Publication of Post-16 Curriculum Booklet and Application Form |
| January | Deadline for Application Forms |
| January | Sixth Form Taster Day |
| February | Half Term Holiday |
| March | Meetings for Year 11 Students to discuss Post-16 choices |
| April | Publication of Post-16 Offers |
| April | Supplementary meetings for students with option queries |
| July | Year 11 invited for Skills Days in readiness for Year 12 |
| August | GCSE Results Day |
| August | Year 12 Enrolment Day |
| September | Year 12 Induction |

Age Limits

Students can only begin courses if they are under 19 years of age on the first day of term for the ensuing academic year. This means that students may start either Year 12, 13 or 14, but may not continue the course or start a subsequent year if they are 19 years of age at the start of the next academic year.

Entry Criteria for Post 16 Courses

Settle College Sixth Form offers a broad range of courses to suit students of different abilities and aspirations. To ensure each student has the best opportunity to succeed in their chosen curriculum we have entry criteria laid out below. Students will also be expected to retake Maths and English GCSEs in Y12 if they have not achieved a C grade.



SUMMARY OF ENTRY CRITERIA

Settle College Sixth Form offers a broad range of courses to suit students of different abilities and aspirations. To ensure each student has the best opportunity to succeed in their chosen curriculum we have developed curriculum pathways for students, with specific entry criteria for each subject. Students will also be expected to re-take Maths and English GCSEs in Year 12 if they have not achieved a C grade by the end of Year 11.

| Overall Requirements For Sixth Form Entry | |
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| Academic Pathway | e.g. 4 A levels through to Year 13 or 3 A levels and one AS (AS Level taken at the end of Year 12) + Extended Project leading to the AQA Baccalaureate. Entry Criteria: 5 GCSEs grades A*-C including English and Maths plus entry criteria for each subject. |
| Mixed Pathway | e.g. 3 A Levels + One BTEC taken in Year 12 or 2 A Levels and 2 BTECs. Entry criteria: 5 GCSEs grades A*-C (preferably including English and Maths) plus entry criteria for each subject. |
| Vocational Pathway | e.g. 3 BTECs and Work Experience. Entry Criteria: 4 GCSEs grades A*-C, plus entry criteria for each subject. Re-sit English and Maths GCSE if grades are not C or above. |

Please note it may not be possible to offer all courses if too few students chose it.

The College reserves the right to make the final decision about availability of courses.



| Subject | Equivalent Value | Minimum Grade for course | Additional Information | Phase of change |
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| Art BTEC National Diploma (Year 12 only awards certificate) | 1 A level | 4 GCSEs of Grade C or higher – 1 of which is Art. | | BTEC have undergone change in 2014 to ensure parity between A levels and BTEC's. |
| AQA Baccalaureate | Awarded: Pass, Merit, Distinction, based on final A2 results. | This qualification will be offered to students at the start of Y12 who have achieved a high average point score in their GCSEs. | The qualification incorporates a students A Level choices and adds an AS course in Citizenship, an Extended Project and an Enrichment Diary. In addition students must study three full A level options. | |
| Biology A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: BB in Core and Additional Science OR BB in Triple Award Science AND B in Maths. | Not suitable for students who have studied Level 2 BTEC Applied Science or Applied Science GCSE. | New specification from September 2015 |
| Chemistry A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: BB in Core and Additional Science OR BB in Triple Award Science AND B in Maths . | Not suitable for students who have studied Level 2 BTEC Applied Science or Applied Science GCSE. | New specification from September 2015 |
| Citizenship AS Level | 1 AS Level | This qualification is for students on the academic pathway taken in year 12. | This course contributes to the AQA Baccalaureate. | |
| Business BTEC National Diploma (Year 12 only awards Certificate) | 1 A Level | 4 GCSEs of Grade C or higher. | New for Settle College from September 2015. | BTEC have undergone change in 2014 to ensure parity between A levels and BTECs. |
| English Literature A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: B in GCSE English Language and B in GCSE English Literature | | New specification from September 2015 |
| Extended Project Qualification | Half of an A2 qualification | This qualification is for all academic pathway students for Y12 | This course contributes to the AQA Baccalaureate. | |



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| French A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: B in GCSE French. | | New specification from September 2016 |
| Further Maths AS Level | 1 AS Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: A in GCSE Maths plus clear aptitude in the subject. | To be taken in Year 13 as an AS. | New specification from September 2016 |
| Geography A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: C in GCSE Geography. | | New specification from September 2016 |
| History A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: B in GCSE History. | B in GCSE English and keen interest if students have not taken GCSE History. | New specification from September 2015 |
| IT BTEC National Diploma (Year 12 only awards Certificate) | 1 A Level | 4 GCSEs of Grade C or higher. | | BTEC IT has undergone change in 2014, as a starting point to ensure parity between A levels and BTECs. |
| Mathematics A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: B in GCSE Maths. | | New specification from September 2016 |
| Media Studies (TV and Film Production) BTEC National Diploma (Yr12 only awards Certificate) | 1 A Level | 4 GCSEs of Grade C or higher – 1 of which is English Language or Literature. | | BTEC Media has undergone change in 2014, as a starting point to ensure parity between A levels and BTECs. |
| Performing Arts | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: C in GCSE Drama or level 2 BTEC Performing Arts at merit or above. | | New specification from September 2016 |
| Physical Education | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: B in GCSE PE or BTEC Level 2 Sports at Distinction. | | New Specification from September 2016 |
| Physics A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: BB in Core and Additional Science or BB in Triple Award Science AND B in Maths. | Not suitable for students who have studied Level 2 BTEC Applied Science or Applied Science GCSE. | New specification from September 2015 |
| Product Design A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: C in GCSE Design and Technology. | | New specification from September 2017 |



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| Psychology A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: B in GCSE English Language and C in GCSE Maths. | | New specification from September 2015 |
| Spanish A Level | 1 A Level | 5 GCSEs which must include: B in GCSE Spanish. | | New specification from September 2016 |
| Sport BTEC National Diploma (Year 12 only awards Certificate) | 1 A Level | 4 GCSEs of Grade C or higher. | Uptake will dictate which sport option runs from September 2015. Only <i>one option</i> will run either BTEC or A level PE. | BTEC Sport has undergone change in 2014, as a starting point, to ensure parity between A levels and BTECs |