

BH6 Pools 2024-25

	<i>Pool 1</i>	<i>Pool 2</i>	<i>Pool 3</i>	<i>Pool 4</i>	<i>Enrichment Pool (selected in addition to chosen subjects in Y12)</i>
A-Level (Course tariff 1)	Maths	Chemistry	Biology	Physics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AS Level Further Maths • Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) • Duke of Edinburgh • GCSE English Resit • GCSE Maths Resit • Peer Mentor • Academic Mentor • Sport • Work Experience
	History	Business Studies	English Literature	Psychology	
	Physical Education	Photography	Computer Science	Geography	
		Sociology			
		Art			
Other BTEC Courses (Course tariff 1)			BTEC Applied Psychology	Applied Human Biology	
BTEC L3 Diploma (Course tariff 2)	Health and Social Care IT Sport		Art & Design Business Studies		

*Although it is not expected that the Pools for 2023/24 will change, it remains at the discretion of BH6 that Pools can be changed until the end of September 2023; students would be informed immediately of any changes.

*Please note that on this updated Pools sheet, German, English Language, RSL Dance, Core Maths and Workskills are removed from the curriculum offer for September 2023.

Entry Requirements 2024-25

A LEVEL COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Art and Textiles	You must have obtained a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or English Literature, plus four further higher grade passes (this includes grade 4 or above in GCSE subjects or Level 2 Pass or above in BTEC subjects) including grade 4 in GCSE Art or GCSE Graphics or GCSE Product Design or GCSE Textiles.
Biology	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in Maths GCSE and grade 7 Biology GCSE or Combined Science.
Business Studies	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 5 in GCSE English Language and Maths (you do not need to have studied GCSE Business).
Chemistry	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in Maths GCSE and grade 7 in Chemistry GCSE or Combined Science.
Computer Science	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 5 in GCSE English Language and grade 6 in GCSE Maths.
English Language	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in GCSE English Language and English Literature.
English Literature	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in GCSE English Language and English Literature.
Geography	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in GCSE English Language or English Literature. If GCSE Geography was studied, you must have achieved at least a grade 6.
German	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in GCSE German.

Graphics	You must have obtained a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or English Literature, plus four further higher grade passes (this includes grade 4 or above in GCSE subjects or Level 2 Pass or above in BTEC subjects) including grade 4 in GCSE Graphics or GCSE Art or GCSE Product Design or GCSE Textiles.
History	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in GCSE English Language or English Literature. If GCSE History was studied, you must have achieved at least a grade 6.
Mathematics	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 7 in GCSE Maths.
Photography	A minimum of five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 5 in GCSE Art or GCSE Graphics or GCSE Product Design and preferably including a grade 4 in GCSE English Language and GCSE Maths. However, students with a genuine interest in photography will be considered for the course.
PE	A minimum of five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 5 in GCSE English Language or Literature and GCSE Maths. (You do not need to have studied GCSE PE, however, good practical sports performance (including regular participation in a club / competition) is essential).
Physics	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in Maths GCSE and grade 7 Physics GCSE or Combined Science.
Psychology	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in GCSE English Language or English Literature, a grade 5 in GCSE Biology or Chemistry and a grade 5 in GCSE Maths.
Sociology	A minimum of three grade 6s and five grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 6 in GCSE English Language or English Literature.

BTEC / RSL LEVEL 3 COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

National Extended Certificate Applied Human Biology	You must have achieved GCSE grade 4 in GCSE English Language OR English Literature, Maths and either Biology or Combined Science, plus 1 further higher grade pass (this includes grade 4 or above in GCSE subjects or Level 2 Pass or above in BTEC subjects).
National Diploma Business Studies	You must have obtained a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or English Literature and Maths, plus three further higher grade passes (this includes grade 4 or above in GCSE subjects or Level 2 Pass or above in BTEC subjects).
National Diploma IT	You must have obtained a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or English Literature and Maths, plus three further higher grade passes (this includes grade 4 or above in GCSE subjects or Level 2 Pass or above in BTEC subjects).
National Diploma Sport	You must have obtained a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or English Literature, plus four further higher grade passes (this includes grade 4 or above in GCSE subjects or Level 2 Pass or above in BTEC subjects).
National Diploma Health & Social Care	You must have obtained a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or English Literature, plus four further higher grade passes (this includes grade 4 or above in GCSE subjects or Level 2 Pass or above in BTEC subjects).
National Extended Certificate Applied Psychology	You must have obtained a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or English Literature, plus four further higher grade passes (this includes grade 4 or above in GCSE subjects or Level 2 Pass or above in BTEC subjects).

OTHER COURSES ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)	Predominately grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 5 in English Language or Literature along with a keen interest in a particular subject area.
AS Further Maths	A minimum of five grade 6s and three grade 5s at GCSE including a grade 8 in GCSE Maths.

- In the event of extenuating circumstances, it remains the discretion of Biddulph High School Sixth Form to adjust entry requirements for 2023/24 on an individual basis or for a cohort.
- It remains the discretion of Biddulph High School Sixth Form to add or remove courses from the curriculum until the end of September 2023.
- In the event of oversubscription, places will be allocated based on GCSE results in that particular subject. I would like to reassure you that this scenario is unlikely to be a problem for your son/daughter.

Further information can about the course content can be found on the BH6 website under curriculum.