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Moving into S5 and S6


The Options Process

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S5 and S6 Options

The background of the slide features a large, semi-transparent watermark of the Hyndland School crest. The crest is circular with a green border and a blue center. It is topped with a yellow sunburst and crossed by two grey diagonal bars. A banner at the bottom of the crest contains the word 'HYNDLAND' in yellow capital letters.

- 1st Form (Free Choice) – March
- 2nd Form (In columns) – June (post-exams)
- 3rd Form (In columns) – August (post-results)

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First Options Form (March 2018)

- You MUST complete a March form before the Spring Holiday if you have any plans to return:
 - This form will be completed at PSE
- The March form is NOT in columns; you have FREE CHOICE*
- The June and August forms ARE in columns; you MUST pick from these columns.
- You will have input from all PTs/FHs; Mr Mochan will talk you through the options form and you will receive your options booklet shortly
- If you require any further support, see your Pastoral Care Teacher.
- * FREE CHOICE does NOT mean you can just pick anything! (BM)

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The subjects which may be on offer next session are identified below. If you are considering options for S5, you must choose five subjects from those below. If you are considering options for S6, you should choose at least four subjects. You **do not** need to select a subject from each column, and you may, at this stage, select more than one option from the same column. Before making selections, you must consult your options booklet for information on the probable levels of study on offer and entry requirements.

	English and Languages	Mathematics and Numeracy	Expressive Arts	Sciences	Social Studies	Technologies
S5 and S6 (Highers, National qualifications and National Progression Awards)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Media French Spanish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mathematics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Art Photography P.E. Drama Music 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology Chemistry Laboratory Skills Physics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business Management Geography History Modern Studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administration Computing Computer Games Development (NPA level 4, 5 and 6) Design and Manufacture Engineering Science Fashion and Textile Technologies Practical Woodworking
S6 (Advanced Highers unless stated)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English French Spanish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mathematics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Art Music PE Sports Leadership (NPA level 5 and 6) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology Chemistry Physics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> History Politics (Higher) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computing Cyber Security and Ethical Hacking (NPA level 6)

Please place choices in order of preference. Please add two reserve choices in the appropriate rows in the table. If you intend to pursue a college option, then you should still select the appropriate number of subjects from the above list. In addition, give details of your proposed college option in the additional box provided.

	Subject	Level (National 5, Higher, Advanced Higher)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
Reserve		
Reserve		

College Option

At this stage, it is not possible to guarantee that all of the subjects identified above will be offered next session.

Signature:

Date:

S4 into S5 Options

- You should pick your **5 best subjects** from S4 to take forward into S5. (BM)
- You should enter these on your form **in order of preference**.
- You should, for each of your choices, give **a subject and a level**.
- You should give **two reserve choices**.
- You will be expected to have passed a subject at National 5 level in S4 in order to take a subject at Higher in S5.
- It will not be possible to offer all subjects at all levels.
- Remember that an NPA is not the same qualification as a National 5 or Higher: do your research!
- You will **NOT** crash subjects in S5; you must wait until S6. (BM)

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S4 into S5 Options

- Remember that you will now have 6 periods per subject per week.
- Attendance is therefore even more important in S5.
 - By prelim time:
 - Average attendance for S5 students on track for 5 Highers in S5 is 98.3%
 - Top 20% of the year group have average attendance of 99%
 - Bottom 20% of the year group have average attendance of 88.3%

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Senior Options

- It is very likely that well over 320 pupils will return for S5 and S6 next session.
- This is a lot of options choices for us to accommodate.
 - This becomes very difficult when:
 - Options forms are not submitted;
 - Options forms are incomplete;
 - Options forms are completed wrongly;
 - A large number of late changes* are required.
- It is, therefore, vital that you undertake the options process properly, having researched what you plan to do.
 - * Remember you CAN make changes later (in June and again in August)

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S5 into S6 Options

- The three most important things to consider when selecting S6 options are:

1) Research!

2) Research!!

3) Research!!!

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S5 into S6 Options

- **Research! Research!! Research!!! (BM)**
 - For instance: If you plan to make a UCAS application next year, you should already be looking at University prospectuses, etc. to ensure you are aware of entry requirements, and preferred subjects.
 - For instance: Do they want Advanced Highers or a broader range of Highers? Which subject qualifications are a must?

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S5 into S6 Options Choices

- You must choose at least 4 options choices for next session.
- Some people – depending on their S5 results – will eventually need to pick all 5 options choices.
- In S6, you can “crash” subjects.
 - You would use your additional 6 periods (i.e. your “blank column”) to catch up on the work you have missed at N5.
 - Think carefully before choosing the same subject again at the same level (“upgrading”); will you really sustain this?
- Remember that there is difference between:
 - National 5 and NPA level 5 (AF)

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S5 into S6 Options Choices

- If you wish to choose a subject that is **NOT** on our options form, you should:
 - 1) Be aware that this is not, in most instances, advisable or possible.
 - 2) As normal, select at least 4 choices from our options form **IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE.**
 - 3) Enter the subject that is NOT on our options form as your first “reserve” choice.

Remember that we will not be able to confirm such an options choice until **mid-AUGUST 2018 at the earliest.**

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S5 into S6 Options Choices

- Remember that - if you choose 4 subjects, and leave one column “blank” - you will be required to make a commitment to the wider life of the school.
- Remember that - regardless of any UCAS offers you might receive - you will be required to **complete all qualifications you begin**; you cannot “drop” subjects throughout the year.
(BM)

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