

## **BSV Entry Criteria 2026**

Students will need an average of grade 4.5 to join BSV Sixth Form. The APS determines a student's pathway and the subjects they can choose.

Pathway 1 - APS 4.5 - 4.9 - Students should choose the equivalent of three subjects of which at least one is a vocational qualification e.g. a BTEC or a CTEC qualification.

Pathway 2 - APS 5 - 5.9 - Students can choose three A Level qualifications excluding biology, chemistry and physics.

Pathway 3 - APS 6+ - Students can choose any three A Level qualifications.

Pathway 4 - APS 7+ - Students can choose any four A Level qualifications (however, it is only advisable to choose further maths as a 4th A Level).

### **Subject specific entry criteria**

Students are expected to meet the consortium entrance requirements and achieve the following qualifications in individual subjects

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Where subject studied at key stage 4</b>	<b>Alternative where subject not studied at key stage 4</b>
<b>Applied Science AAQ</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 5+ in GCSE Combined Science (5-6), GCSE Physics, Chemistry or Biology</li> <li>- AND a grade 5+ in GCSE Maths</li> <li>- AND a grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> </ul>	
<b>Art / Photography / Textiles</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Art, GCSE Photography, or GCSE Textiles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- At the discretion of the school - portfolio of evidence at the point of application</li> </ul>
<b>Biology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- An APS of 6+</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Biology or GCSE Combined Science (6-6)</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>	
<b>CTEC Sport</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 4+ in GCSE PE or a level 2 pass+ in CNAT Sport</li> <li>- AND a grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> </ul>
<b>BTEC Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 4+ in GCSE Business, Economics or a level 2 pass+ in CNAT Business &amp; Enterprise</li> <li>- AND a grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND a grade 4+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND a grade 4+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>
<b>BTEC Creative Digital Media Production</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 4+ in GCSE Media or a level 2 pass+ in CNAT Media.</li> <li>- AND a grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> </ul>
<b>Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Business or Economics or a level 2 merit+ in Business &amp; Enterprise</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>
<b>Chemistry</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- An APS of 6+</li> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Chemistry or GCSE Combined Science (6-6)</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ GCSE Maths</li> </ul>	
<b>Computer Science</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Computer Science or a level 2 merit+ in CNAT IT.</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>
<b>CTEC Computing/ICT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 4+ in GCSE Computer Science or a level 2 pass+ in CNAT ICT.</li> <li>- AND a grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 4+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND a grade 4+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>
<b>Dance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Dance or a level 2 merit+ in BTEC Dance.</li> <li>- AND a grade 5+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND regular dance performance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- At the discretion of the school - portfolio of evidence at the point of application</li> </ul>
<b>Drama</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Drama</li> <li>- AND a grade 5+ in GCSE English</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- At the discretion of the school - portfolio of evidence at the point of application</li> </ul>
<b>Economics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Business or Economics or a level 2 merit+ in Business &amp; Enterprise</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>
<b>Economics &amp; Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE Business or Economics or a level 2 merit+ in Business &amp; Enterprise</li> <li>- AND a grade 5+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND a grade 5+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE English</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths</li> </ul>
<b>English Language</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE English</li> </ul>	
<b>English Literature</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A grade 6+ in GCSE English Language</li> <li>- AND a grade 6+ in GCSE English Literature</li> </ul>	

<b>Food, Science &amp; Nutrition Level 3</b>	- A grade 4+ in GCSE Food - AND a grade 4+ in GCSE English	- A grade 4+ in GCSE English - AND a grade 4+ in GCSE Maths
<b>French / German / Spanish</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE French, GCSE German or GCSE Spanish	
<b>Further Maths</b>	- A grade 7+ in GCSE Maths - Can only be studied alongside A Level Maths as a 4th A Level	
<b>Geography</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE Geography	- A grade 6+ in GCSE English - AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths
<b>History</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE History	- A grade 6+ in GCSE English - AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths
<b>Law</b>		- A grade 6+ in GCSE English - AND a grade 6+ in any GCSE Humanities subject
<b>Maths</b>	- A grade 7+ in GCSE Maths	
<b>Media Studies</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE Media or a level 2 merit+ in BTEC Media	- A grade 6+ in GCSE English
<b>Music</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE Music - AND a grade 5+ in a musical instrument/voice	
<b>Music Technology</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE Music	
<b>P.E.</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE PE (theory) or a level 2 merit+ in CNAT Sport - AND regular coaching and/or sports performance	- A grade 6+ in GCSE English - AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths - AND regular coaching and/or sports performance
<b>Philosophy &amp; Ethics</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE Religious Studies or GCSE Philosophy & Ethics	- A grade 6+ in GCSE English - AND a grade 6+ in any GCSE Humanities subject
<b>Physics</b>	- An APS of 6+ - AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Physics or GCSE Combined Science (6-6) - AND a grade 7+ in GCSE Maths - AND can only be studied alongside A Level Maths	
<b>Politics</b>		- A grade 6+ in GCSE English - AND a grade 6+ in any GCSE Humanities subject
<b>Product Design</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE Design & Technology	
<b>Psychology</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE Psychology	- A grade 6+ in GCSE English - AND a grade 6+ in GCSE Maths or GCSE Combined Science (6-5+) or GCSE Physics, Chemistry or Biology
<b>Sociology</b>	- A grade 6+ in GCSE Sociology	- A grade 6+ in GCSE English

**One of the following subjects can be taken as an additional qualification to three subjects from the list above**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Minimum Grades Required</b>	
<b>Mathematical Studies/Core Maths</b> (worth an AS Level)	- A grade 5+ in GCSE Maths	
<b>AS Further Maths</b>	- A grade 7+ in GCSE Maths	
<b>EPQ</b>		