



The Kimberley School

SIXTH FORM

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS



East Midlands
Education Trust

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ART

Grade 5 in GCSE Art, if the criteria is not met, students will need to demonstrate their skills to the department.

BUSINESS & IT CAMBRIDGE TECHNICALS (Level 3)

Grade 4 in English Language and a Grade 4 in Maths.

BUSINESS – OCR CAMBRIDGE TECHNICAL (Level 2)

DRAMA & THEATRE STUDIES

Grade 4 in Drama

FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Grade 4 in Food & Nutrition

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

Grade 4 in one of: Resistant Materials/Graphics/Systems or Textiles

ECONOMICS

Grade 5 in English Language and a Grade 4 in Maths.

ENGLISH LITERATURE

GCSE English Grade 5. A grade 4 may be accepted following discussions with the SPL / Head of VI Form on suitability.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE (combined)

GCSE English Grade 5 is preferred. A grade 4 may be accepted following discussions with the SPL / Head of VI Form on suitability

GEOGRAPHY

GCSE Geography Grade 5. A grade 4 may be accepted following discussions with the SPL / Head of VI Form on suitability.

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

A Level 2 Pass grade in Health and Social Care is desirable but students with 5 Grade 4 -9s and a Grade 4 in a Humanities subject may be considered.

HISTORY

GCSE History Grade 5. A grade 4 may be accepted following discussions with the SPL / Head of VI Form on suitability.

ICT/iMEDIA

Level 2 Pass grade or GCSE Computer Science Grade 4.

LANGUAGES

GCSE Grade 6 in the Language.

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MATHS

GCSE Maths Grade 6.

FURTHER MATHS

GCSE Maths Grade 7.

MATHS STUDIES (AS Level)

This is a course to support students taking courses with a large proportion of mathematical content. (eg. Sciences, Psychology, Geography, Economics) who are not already studying A Level maths.

MEDIA

GCSE English Language Grade 5.

MUSIC

GCSE Music Grade 6, plus Grade 3-4 Practical Exam with Merit in any instrument (ABRSM or any other recognised board, e.g. Rock School) and Grade 3-4 Theory with Merit (again, ABRSM or other recognised board).

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

GCSE Sciences Grade 4 and GCSE English Grade 4, plus club standard ability in 1 or 2 Sports.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Preferably a Grade 4 in Art or if the criteria is not met, students will need to demonstrate their skills to the department.

PSYCHOLOGY

GCSE English Grade 4 and GCSE Maths Grade 5 is preferred; Grade 4 may be accepted following discussion with the SPL for Maths / Head of Sixth Form on suitability.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

GCSE RE Grade 5 is preferred. A grade 4 may be accepted following discussions with the SPL / Head of VI Form on suitability.

SCIENCES (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)

GCSE Triple Science Grade 6 in the specific science; must have a 6 in GCSE Maths too. Students who have done GCSE Combined Science need to have gained Level 6 overall especially in their chosen subject.

SOCIOLOGY

GCSE English Grade 5 is preferred; Grade 4 may be accepted following discussion with the SPL for English / Head of VI Form on suitability.

GCSE Maths Grade 4, plus a GCSE Grade 4 in either Health and Social Care or a Humanities subject is also required.



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Some facts to explain the requirements:

- **A-Levels** are a **Level 3** qualification.
GCSEs are a **Level 2** qualification.
- A-Levels are achieved through **2 years of study**.
- Students are **examined in the summer of Year 13** on all topics studied across the 2 years of their course.
- To enter the Sixth Form, students need to achieve a **minimum of 5 grades** (achieving 9-4) across their GCSEs.
- There are further **individual entry requirements** for **each course**. These are listed with each applicable subject.
- Students in the Sixth Form are expected to choose **3 or 4 subjects initially**. Most students will then drop to 3 subjects in year 13.
- Students will sit **school examinations in the summer of year 12**. If students do not gain passes in three subjects they will not be able to proceed into Year 13 to complete their studies.
- Students who **do not have a Grade 4 in Maths or English** (either language or literacy) are required to retake a GCSE in that subject in Year 12. Lessons will be provided for this purpose.

