
GCSE OPTIONS 2022

**INFORMATION AND
OPTIONS FORM**

RUGBY HIGH SCHOOL

Key Stage 4 (Years 10 and 11)

We want students to be able to pursue a broad and balanced programme of study at Key Stage 4. Some years ago, the government introduced the English Baccalaureate or E Bacc as a measure of how well schools are performing and to encourage students to study a broad range of subjects at KS4. Students are said to have obtained the E Bacc if they gain GCSE passes in English Language and Literature, Maths, either GCSE combined Science or 3 single Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Computer Studies), a language (including Latin) or a humanity (either History or Geography).

At Rugby High School we decided not to make the E Bacc compulsory as we felt that our curriculum model offered students a broad choice of subjects and that it was important to preserve the element of student choice. At the moment universities and employers don't require students to have the E Bacc. However, this may change in the future so you should bear this in mind when making your choices.

The Year 10 Curriculum will be as follows:

Core Curriculum (Compulsory for all students)	Qualification
English	1 GCSE
English Literature	1 GCSE
Mathematics	1 GCSE
Language: Spanish or French or Latin	1 GCSE
Triple Science: Biology, Chemistry & Physics	3 GCSEs
OR Combined Science	2 GCSEs
Non - examined PE	

Options

Students choosing to study **triple science** should **choose two options** from the list below.
 Students choosing **Combined Science** should **choose three options**:

Art and Design OR Textiles	Geography
Business	History
Computer Science	GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition
Drama	Music
French or Spanish or Latin (the language not chosen as part of the core curriculum)	Philosophy and Religious Studies (PRS)
PE	

Entitlement Curriculum (Compulsory for all students)

- Philosophy & Religious Studies*
- Physical Education
- Personal Health and Social Education
(includes Careers Education and Guidance, Sex Education, Work-Related Learning, Enterprise Education, Citizenship, Economic Well-Being and Financial Capability)

These are non-examination subjects.

In PE, students may also opt for GCSE PE as an option.

PSHE will be delivered through a series of collapsed timetable days rather than as a timetabled lesson.

***Philosophy and Religious Studies can be studied in one of two ways:**

1. Compulsory single lesson a week (non-examined)
2. Taken as an option = GCSE full course

Please note: if you choose non-examined Philosophy and Religious Studies you do not need to specify this on your options form.

Making Your Choice

Do

- Choose subjects that you enjoy
- Choose subjects that you are good at
- Choose subjects that you may need to follow a particular career or educational path
- Talk to your parents and teachers about your choices

Don't

- Choose a subject because your friends have chosen it
- Choose a subject simply because you like the teacher (you may get a different teacher next year)

Please note that all choices are subject to staffing and timetable constraints, some subjects have a number restriction on the size of the group, e.g. Drama. Some optional subjects may not run if insufficient numbers opt for them. Please also note you will have to obtain a subject teacher recommendation for your optional subjects.

2022 OPTION CHOICES FOR GCSE COURSES IN YEAR 10

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A *SAMPLE* OF THE ELECTRONIC FORM YOU WILL BE SENT AFTER THE VIRTUAL OPTIONS EVENINGS.

You should **NOT** complete this form without:

- reading the information in the GCSE subject information booklet carefully
- watching the subject presentations on the website
- discussing your choices with your parents
- consulting the teachers of the subjects you wish to choose

You may consult teachers either in normal school time or at Parents' Evening which is on Wednesday 19th January and Tuesday 25th January.

Please indicate below your option choices for Year 10 courses, in rank order, and submit by Friday 28th January at the very latest.

Core LANGUAGE (French or Spanish or Latin)

COMBINED SCIENCE or TRIPLE SCIENCE

Please list your rank/preference order here eg, 1,2,3 ↓

OPTION SUBJECT 1

OPTION SUBJECT 2

OPTION SUBJECT 3

(Do not complete this box if you have opted for Triple Science)

RESERVE CHOICE

This box **MUST** be completed or you will be allocated a subject

Name: (Capital letters)	Form:
Parent Signature:	Date: