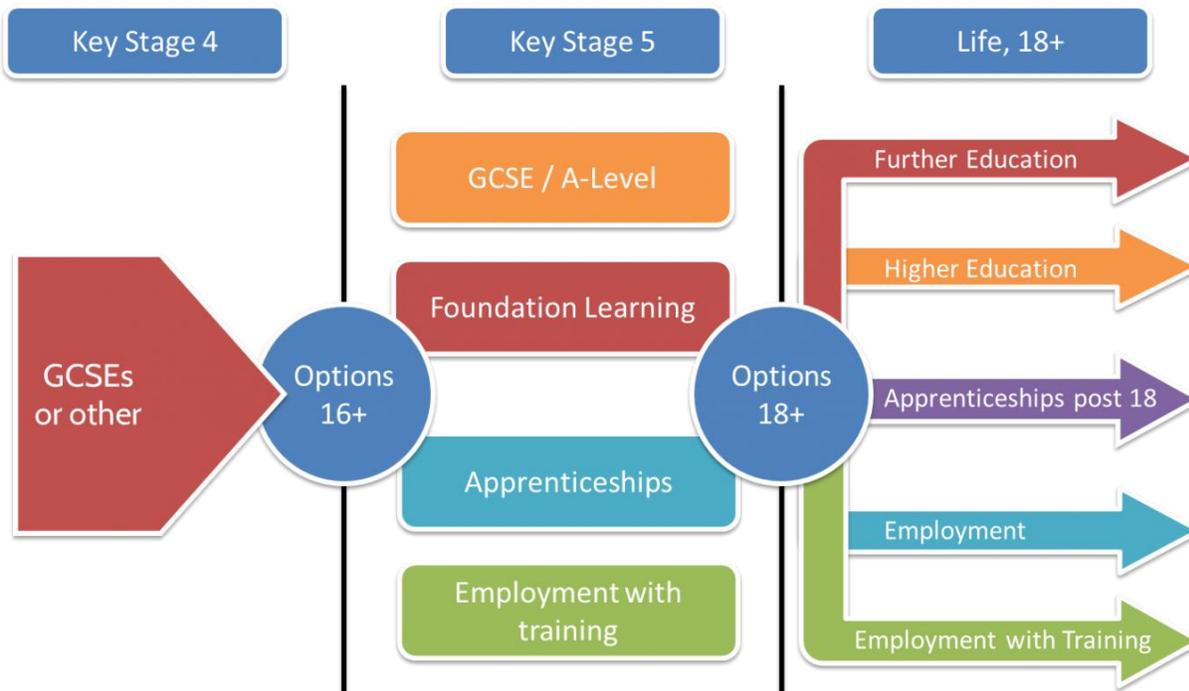


POST 16 TRANSITION

WHAT'S ON OFFER



All local sixth forms and colleges provide a broad range of subjects for young people to progress into. Sixth forms traditionally offer more of an academic route, e.g. A levels. However, some offer the chance to study a mix of A levels, Specialist Qualifications and T Levels. Colleges traditionally offer a more hands-on practical route giving young people the opportunity to study vocational subjects, T levels and Apprenticeships.

More information can be found on the sixth form/college website or at www.helpyouchoose.org which is an information, advice, and careers guidance website for young people in Norfolk. Help You Choose is also the schools preferred option when young people complete their application as it enables them to apply for multiple institutions on one application form and save the information in their on-line account.

WHAT DO YOU NEED?

It is extremely important that all young people check the entry level requirements for the sixth form or college they're hoping to attend. They all have different entry requirements. Every institution will host an open evening/day. These will provide the opportunity for young people and parent/carers the chance to ask all those important questions in order to make proper informed decisions for their son/daughters future post 16.

The top four sixth forms and colleges chosen by Framingham Earl Students in the last academic year, in no particular order, were Notre Dame, Wymondham College, Sir Isaac Newton/Jane Austen and City College Norwich (includes Easton College & Paston Sixth Form).

The table below provides an example of the GCSE results needed in order to study particular subjects at two local sixth forms. For example, if you wanted to study Sociology at (sixth form A) you would need History or Geography as well as English Literature and English Language at 5 or above whereas (sixth form B) only requires 5 or above in English Literature and English Language. Every young person is encouraged to apply for two institutions, their preferred first choice and a back-up option. As highlighted above, it is imperative that entry requirements are checked to avoid disappointment further down the line.

Chosen Subjects to study.	Sixth Form A	Sixth Form B
Mathematics	6 or above	7
Sciences	Higher Teir 5 or above and 6 or above in Math's.	6 or above in chosen Science and 5 or above in other 2 sciences. If studying Physics 6 or above in Math's required.
Psychology	5 or above in English Lit/Lang and 5 or above in either Geography or History.	5/5/6 in English Lit/Lang, Math's and Science in any combination.
Geography	5 or above in English Lit/Lang, Geography and Math's.	6 or above in Geography and an interest in current affairs and a desire to engage in discussions and debate.
Languages	5 or above in their chosen language studied at GCSE	6 or above in their chosen language studied at GCSE
Computer Science	6 or above in Math's.	6 or above in Math's and 5 in English.
Drama	5 or above in Drama and English Lit. Preferably experience in acting.	5 or above in Drama and English Lit/Lang.
Sociology	5 or above in English Lit/Lang and 5 or above in either History or Geography.	5 or above in English Lit/Lang.

Although the majority of sixth forms stipulate a minimum GCSE level, others use a point-based system. For example, if a young person achieves 39-55 points from their top 8 subjects (average score 5-6) they would be offered the chance to study 3 A levels. The majority of the local sixth forms use a block timetable, again the young person needs to check beforehand that their preferred subjects fit into the block, if not they may need to rethink sixth forms. The table below is an example from a local sixth form this last academic year. If choosing 3 A levels, the fourth option would be the Independent Study. The option to study 4 A levels is available for some young people, however the GCSE entry requirements are higher. Please check each institution for further details.

Example timetable block

Block A	Block B	Block C	Block D
Chemistry	Biology	Chemistry	Biology
Economics	Business Studies	Economics	Drama
English Lit/Lang	History	Math's	P.E
Psychology	Spanish	Psychology	English Lit
Independent Study	Independent Study	Independent Study	Independent Study

Make sure you have all the facts, use all the resources available to you to make proper informed decisions. For example, Help You Choose, Unifrog, Personal Careers Guidance, National Careers Service.

Inclusive Learning

Bespoke small group programmes delivered by a team of dedicated staff.

Phoenix Purple, PMLD, Vocational pathways, Ticket, Project search & Progressions.

Take your time when considering your options and remember you're not alone, there will be thousands of other students up and down the country in the same position as you.