

Guilsborough Academy Sixth Form

Entry Criteria for September 2026

The minimum entry criteria is at least 3 GCSEs at grade 5 and 2 GCSEs at Grade 4 including at least grade 4s in English (Literature or Language) and Mathematics. In addition you must meet the subject-specific criteria below:

A BTEC Level 2 Pass or above is considered equivalent to a GCSE Grade 5.

Art	Grade 5 in GCSE Art.
Biology	Two grade 6s in GCSE Science. For triple Science one must be Biology. Grade 6 in GCSE Maths.
Business	Grade 5 in GCSE Business Studies. If not studied at GCSE, no additional criteria.
Chemistry	Two grade 6s in GCSE Science. For triple Science one must be Chemistry. Grade 6 in GCSE Maths.
Drama and Theatre	Grade 5 in GCSE Drama. If not studied at GCSE, application by audition and meeting.
Economics	Grades 6/5 (in any combination) in GCSE English and Maths
English Language & Literature	Grades 6/5 in GCSE English Language and English Literature (either way round). A love of reading.
English Literature	Grade 6 in GCSE English Literature and Grade 5 in GCSE English Language. A love of reading.
Geography	Grade 5 in GCSE Geography.
German	Grade 6 in GCSE German.
BTEC Health & Social Care	No additional criteria.
History	Grade 6 in GCSE History. If not studied at GCSE, Grade 6 in GCSE English.
Mathematics	Grade 6 in GCSE Maths.
Further Mathematics	Grade 8 in GCSE Maths. Must also study A Level Mathematics.
Media	Grade 5 in GCSE English.
Music	Grade 6 in GCSE Music. At least Grade 4 on any instrument.
Photography	Grade 5 in GCSE Art. If Art not studied at GCSE, application via portfolio and meeting.
PE	Grade 6 at GCSE PE (min grade 5 in paper 1), if not studied at GCSE then a 6,5 in science or grade 5 Biology. Should also participate in competitive sport.
Physics	Two grade 6s in GCSE Science. For triple Science one must be Physics. Grade 6 in GCSE Maths.
Product Design	Grade 5 in GCSE Product Design / Electronics / Resistant Materials. If design not studied at GCSE a discussion regarding suitability will be held.
Psychology	Grade 5 in GCSE English and Science (For Combined Science 5,4).
Sociology	Grade 5 in GCSE English.
Spanish	Grade 6 in GCSE Spanish.
BTEC Sport	Pass in BTEC Level 2 Sport. If not studied at Level 2, no additional criteria.
Textiles	Grade 5 in GCSE Textiles. If not studied at GCSE, application via portfolio and meeting.