

# What you can expect from Tapton Sixth Form

## Academic Results

Experienced and specialist **teaching** and **support** staff who have delivered over a decade of outstanding A Level results.

An average grade **B** and L3VA **0.15-0.20**.

## Post-18 Destinations

A broad curriculum offer of **29 subjects** leading to a diverse range of Post-18 destinations.

Over **90%** of students transitioning to **university** each year.

**57** students successfully applying to **Oxford** and **Cambridge** over the last **7** years.

## High expectations and a focus on the whole student

High expectations for **attendance, punctuality and behaviour** and a focus on the **transition to adult life**.

A wide-ranging **Enrichment Programme** and a **KS5 Personal Development Curriculum**.

## A diverse and vibrant community

Our community is focused on the **Common Room** and **Sixth Form Café**.

Over **30 feeder schools** from around Sheffield, South Yorkshire and Derbyshire.

# What Tapton Sixth Form will expect from you

## A clear focus on Post-18 destinations

University, Apprenticeship or  
Employment

## Subject Knowledge and Personal Development

### Academic work at the centre of your week

Expect to commit **30+** hours per week for three  
subjects or **40+** hours for four subjects

### Attendance, Punctuality and Behaviour

Being a Role Model; Minimum **96%** Attendance

### Being well in yourself

Relaxation, Movement, Diet and Sleep; Personal  
Development



**How do I  
apply to  
Tapton Sixth  
Form?**

Apply using **Sheffield Progress** in Y11

Basic Entry Requirement of a **Grade 5 in GCSE English Language**, a **Grade 4 in Maths** and **3 other GCSE Grade 4s**.

**Stage 1**

Individual entry requirements per subject.

**Stage 2**

Typically start at a **Grade 5** or **6** for Humanities, **Grade 6** for Sciences, Maths and MFL. The highest requirement is a **Grade 8** for Further Maths.

Individual entry requirements are often a combination of grades. For example, to study **Psychology** you would need:

**A grade 5 in English Language, a grade 5 in Maths and a grade 5 in a Science subject.**

**Stage 3**

An **Attainment 8** requirement to access combinations of Sciences and Maths.

# Entry Requirements – Stage 2

| SUBJECT                            | ENTRY REQUIREMENT  | SUBJECT  | ENTRY REQUIREMENT  |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| ART                                | <i>5 in Art and Design or a visual portfolio demonstrating art work of a GCSE grade 5 standard.</i>  | FURTHER MATHS  | 8 in Maths   |
| BIOLOGY                            | 6 in Biology & 6 in another Science and 6 in Maths or 66 in Combined Science and 6 in Maths  | GEOGRAPHY  | <i>6 in Geography, 6 in English Language OR Literature, and 6 in Science.</i>  |
| BUSINESS STUDIES                   | <i>5 in English Language and a 5 in Maths</i>  | GERMAN   | 6 in German  |
| CHEMISTRY                          | 6 in Chemistry & 6 in another Science and 6 in Maths or 66 in Combined Science and 6 in Maths  | GOVERNMENT & POLITICS                                    | <i>5 in English Language</i>   |
| COMPUTER SCIENCE                   | 6 in Computer Science and 6 in Maths   | HISTORY  | <i>6 in History and 5 in English Language</i>  |
| CORE MATHS (Level 3 Equivalent)    | 5 in Maths   | MATHS  | 7 in Maths   |
| DESIGN ENGINEERING                 | <i>5 in Technology and 6 in Maths and 5 in Physics</i>   | MUSIC  | <i>6 in GCSE Music OR both Grade 5 Theory and Grade 5 in an instrument</i>   |
| DRAMA & THEATRE STUDIES            | <i>5 in Drama or 5 in English Language and English Literature</i>  | PHYSICS  | 6 in Physics & 6 in another Science and 6 in Maths or 66 in Combined Science and 6 in Maths                                |
| ECONOMICS                          | <i>6 in Maths and 6 in English Language and 6 in Economics if studied</i>  | PRODUCT DESIGN   | <i>5 in the relevant Design Technology and 5 in Mathematics</i>  |
| ENGLISH LANGUAGE                   | <i>6 in English Language and a 5 in English Literature</i>   | PSYCHOLOGY   | 5 English Language, 5 in Maths and a 5 in a Science  |
| ENGLISH LITERATURE                 | 6 in English Literature and a 5 in English Language  | RELIGIOUS STUDIES: Specialising in Philosophy and Ethics | 5 in English Language and 5 in Religious Studies if studied  |
| FASHION AND TEXTILES               | <i>5 in Textiles or Art and Design or a visual portfolio demonstrating textile or art work of a GCSE grade 5 standard, and a grade 5 in Maths.</i> | SOCIOLOGY  | <i>5 in English Language</i>   |
| FILM STUDIES                       | 5 in English Language or English Literature  | PHYSICAL EDUCATION                                       | <i>5 in Biology or 55 in Combined Science, 5 in Maths and a 5 in English Language and significant sporting performance</i> |
| FRENCH                             | 6 in French  | SPANISH  | 6 in Spanish   |
| LEVEL 3 FOOD SCIENCE AND NUTRITION | 5 in Biology or Chemistry, or a 55 in Combined Science and a 5 in English Language.  |  |  |

# What is Attainment 8? – Stage 3

There is an additional entry requirement based on Attainment 8 (A8) for studying Sciences (Physics, Biology and Chemistry) and Maths:

- To study all 3 Sciences and Maths, you need an A8 of 70 (equivalent to all 7s)
- To study 3 Sciences or 2 Sciences and Maths, you need an A8 of 64 (a mixture of 7s and 6s)
- To study 2 Sciences or 1 Science and Maths, you need an A8 of 55 (equivalent to all 6s)
- **Please note, on application, we will calculate your A8 and contact you should a query arise.**
- To create your Attainment 8 we add together:
  - Double English (Language or Literature, whichever is highest), Double Maths, 3 EBACC subjects (Sciences, MFL incl. Home Language, Humanities) and 3 other subjects (Arts, Technology, Performing Arts, other English qualification).

# Key Considerations

## Number of Applications

Only the top 3 Sixth Forms will be considered.

Any applications for more Sixth Forms will be disregarded.

The order is VERY important.

You will be made an offer at your highest preference school that is able to accept your application.

Any applications at other schools will then be removed.

You can hold ONE offer at a Sixth Form and ONE college offer.

## Putting Tapton as Second Choice

If you put Tapton as a second choice, as a Tapton student, we will be aware of this.

To progress with another school, you put them as higher preference to Tapton.

However, if you accept elsewhere, then decide before the Summer holidays that you wish to stay at Tapton, we may not be able to offer you your preferred choice of subjects, and you will be placed on a waiting list for that subject.

You are able to return to Tapton no later than 9am on the second Friday of September. However, we may not be able to offer you your preferred choice of subjects

# Key Dates

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|----------------------|--|
| 23 October 2024      | Sixth Form Open Evening  |
| w/c 18 November 2024 | Student Consultations with Sixth Form ( <b>Internal Applicants</b> )                                     |
| 31 January 2024      | Deadline for applications – Sheffield Progress Online Applications submitted to the Council.             |
| 26-28 February 2025  | Conditional offers of places made to students  |
| 4 March 2025         | Student Consultations with Sixth Form ( <b>External Applicants</b> )                                     |
| 14 March 2025        | Deadline for accepting offer   |
| w/c 23 June 2025     | Sixth Form Induction Week  |
| 21 August 2025       | GCSE Results Day and Enrolment Day at Tapton Sixth Form for <b>all</b> students <b><u>Compulsory</u></b> |

**Tapton Sixth Form  
Open Evening**

**Any Questions?**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

**6-8pm**