

Enfield Grammar School



An Academy Trust

Year 9 Parents Information Evening

Options Process - Welcome

Mr. M. Pieri – 16 January 2019

PLANNING AHEAD



- 60% of the jobs that will exist in 2026 have yet to be invented!
- Your son could still be working in 2076
- Comparison:
- People working today could have chosen their options in 1964 - the world has changed a lot since 1964.....and change seems to be happening at an ever faster rate!

Government Exam Reforms...why?



League tables – accountability measures

Too many students achieving top grades

Too many re-takes

Too many 'soft, poor quality' qualifications

Insufficient challenge and rigour

Reduced understanding of the subject as a whole

Key changes:



New grading system 9 to 1 has replaced A* to G (most subjects)

Exams are more difficult and rigorous

Changes to grade boundaries

Terminal, end of course exams ONLY

Controlled Assessment reduced

First entry only

Marks for SPAG –Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar

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New exams/new grading

Grades 9 to 1 with 9 being the highest

- Grade 7,8,9 - equivalent to A*/A
- Grade 5 - higher grade pass (high C)
- Grade 6 - required for A level study (high B)

Greater depth / more challenging content
(e.g. Maths 50% more content)

New GCSE grades – a reminder



Grade 9: top A* performers;

Grade 8: the rest who qualified for A* but did not qualify for a 9;

Grade 7: equivalent to an A grade pass.

Grade 6: equivalent to a B grade pass.

Grade 5: equivalent to a high grade C pass.

Grade 4: equivalent to a low C grade pass.

Grade 3: equivalent to a D grade pass.

Grade 2: equivalent to an E grade pass.

Grade 1: equivalent to grade F and G passes.

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**What will your son
study at Key Stage 4?**

Compulsory Core Programme



GCSE English Language

GCSE English Literature

GCSE Mathematics

GCSE Science

Physical Education

PSHE (Personal, Social & Health Education)

English Baccalaureate (Ebacc)



Government measure aimed at “...increasing the number of students taking rigorous academic qualifications.”

Ebacc = Grade 5 or better in English, Maths, 2 Sciences, History or Geography and a Language

The government believes that these are “...*the subjects most valued by universities and employers.*”

Ebacc at EGS



There will be students who we will strongly advise to follow the Ebacc route

BUT

We will not recommend following the Ebacc route if it is at the expense of better grades in non-Ebacc subjects

The Options Process – Step 1



Step 1

If your son is to follow the Ebacc route they will have to study **GCSE French**

AND

Either GCSE History or GCSE Geography

(this does not mean they cannot study GCSE Geography & GCSE History)

The Options Process – Step 1



Step 1 cont.

If your son does not want to study **GCSE French**, he HAS to study **GCSE Geography** AND **GCSE History** (Non-Ebacc)

The Options Process – Step 2



Step 2 (Free Choice)

Your son now has to choose two other subjects (free choice)

AND

A reserve subject

The Options Process – Step 2



Free Choice Subjects

Art, Craft & Design

Business Studies

BTEC Enterprise

Citizenship

Computer Science

Design & Technology

Information Technologies

Food, Preparation & Nutrition

French

Geography

History

iMedia

Media Studies

Music

Physical Education

Religious Studies

Option Process – English Baccalaureate (Ebacc)

Core Curriculum (Compulsory)	Language (compulsory)	Humanities Option (Choose one)	GCSE Option - Free Choice (Choose two)	
English Maths Science (non-examined) PSHE Physical Education	French	Geography or History	Art, Craft & Design Business Studies BTEC Enterprise Citizenship Computer Science Design & Technology Information Technologies Food, Preparation & Nutrition	French Geography History iMedia Media Studies Music Physical Education Religious Studies

Option Process – Non-English Baccalaureate

Core Curriculum (Compulsory)	Compulsory Option (not studying GCSE French)	GCSE Option (Choose two)	
<p>English Maths Science</p> <p>(non-examined)</p> <p>PSHE</p> <p>Physical Education</p>	<p>Geography and History</p>	<p>Art, Craft & Design Business Studies BTEC Enterprise Citizenship Computer Science Design & Technology Information Technologies Food, Preparation & Nutrition</p>	<p>French Geography History iMedia Media Studies Music Physical Education Religious Studies</p>

Online Options Form



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Key Stage 4 Options

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Take a look at what is going on in school.
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Go to School Home Page

Click on 'Parents' tab

Click on 'Key Stage 4'

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Key Stage 4 Options-(2019)

KEY STAGE 4 Options – ‘Your Choice’

Key Dates:

Tuesday 16 January 2019 – Year 9 Options Information Evening for Parents

[Click here for the presentation](#)

Friday 18 January 2019 – Mini-Options Fair for students (3.05pm-4.05pm)

Thursday 24 January 2019 – Year 9 Parents Consultation Evening where parents / carers will have the opportunity to discuss possible GCSE options with staff.

Friday 1 March 2019 – Options form deadline

June 2019 – Option choices confirmed

[Please click here to see the 2018/19 GCSE Information Booklet, ‘Your Choice’](#)

[Please click here to fill in the online ‘Year 9 GCSE Options Form 2019’](#)

For further information on course options please do not hesitate to contact the school.

(Note: the options booklet will appear here from Thursday 17 January and the online form will go live on Friday 18 January 2019)

[Click here for Options Booklet](#)

[Click here for the Options Form](#)

Options Booklet – ‘Your Choice’

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**Enfield Grammar
School**



Key Stage 4

GCSE INFORMATION BOOKLET

2019

‘Your Choice’

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**Your son will be given the
booklet to take home on
Thursday 17 January**



Online Options Form

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Year 9 GCSE Options Form 2019

This GCSE Option Form is for current Year 9 students and needs to be completed by Friday 1 March 2019
You will only be able to complete this form ONCE.

*Required

What is your name? *

Your answer

What is your form group? *

Choose ▾

Start filling
in the
form

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Please be aware you will only be able to fill the form in **ONCE**.

Information to help filling out the form:

- If your son is to choose to follow the Ebacc, he will study GCSE French and either GCSE Geography or GCSE History. He will then make **TWO further free choices**. (Your son can still choose to study Geography AND History)
- If your son is not following the Ebacc (not studying GCSE French), he will need to make **TWO further free choices**.
- In both cases, your son has to choose **ONE reserve subject**.

The online Google Form must be submitted by **Friday 1 March 2019**

Making the RIGHT choice

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Choices should be based on:

- Future aspirations
- Aim high
- Enjoyment and balance
- Skills
- Achievement

Making the WRONG choice



Choices should NOT be based on:

- Friends
- Current teacher
- Easy option
- Short term view (today and not tomorrow)

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KS3 (Y9) Options

KS4
(Y10 & Y11)

KS5
(Y12 & Y13)

University / FE /
Work /
Apprenticeship

The choices made in Y9 can affect choices later on.

For example if University is an aspiration, do look at the guide **Informed Choices** which provides information, advice and guidance about post-16 subject choices.

Timeline



Ongoing – Careers Interviews

Ongoing - Guidance interviews with tutors / members of staff

Wednesday 16 January 2019 - Year 9 Options Information Evening for Parents

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Thursday 24 January 2019 - Year 9 Parents Consultation Evening where you will have the opportunity to discuss possible GCSE options with your teachers.

Friday 1 March 2019 - Options form return deadline

Individual re-selection meetings as required

June / July 2019 - Option choices confirmed

The Small Print....



The school reserves the right to guide students towards certain subjects and routes which we feel better suit them.

Please be aware that we cannot give a guarantee of every student getting the option choices they have chosen.

Each option needs viable numbers but also has a maximum capacity. What we can guarantee is that we will do our best to meet ALL requests.

Once choices are made and a course has been embarked upon there is very little flexibility in changing course.

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Any questions?