



Admissions Policy 2026-2027

- To study at The Thomas Adams Sixth Form, we ask for a minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and Maths, in order to cope with the demands of Level 3 study.
- However, many subjects will require students to achieve at least a grade 5 or higher – so please refer to the individual subject outlines for further details.
- If students do not achieve a grade 4 or above in either English or Maths, we are able to offer a compulsory resit in the required subject, alongside a limited choice of other Level 3 courses.
- Students who achieve at least 5 x grades 4+ but who only achieve 3 in En, 3 in El (with a 4+ in Ma) will be accepted onto appropriate courses, but will need to re-sit En.
- Students who achieve at least 5 x grades 4+ including En or El, but 3 or lower in Ma, will be accepted onto appropriate courses, but will need to re-sit Ma.
- If there have been extenuating circumstances, individual applicants are requested to contact us to discuss these.
- Whilst we will endeavour to run all of the courses offered, they will only be viable if sufficient numbers of students elect to study them.

In addition to the general entry requirements, there are the following subject-specific entry requirements:

	Entry requirements
Art	4 in En and 5 in an Art/Design subject if taken at GCSE (otherwise a portfolio of work)
Biology	6/6 in Sc or relevant Science if Triple
Business Studies	5 in En or El and 5 in Ma
Chemistry	6/6 in Sc or relevant Science if Triple
Computer Science	4 in En and 5 in Ma
Drama & Theatre Studies	4 in El
English Combined	5 in En and El
English Language	5 in En and El

English Literature	5 in En and El
Film Studies	4 in En or El
Food Science	4 in En or El and 4 in Sc, 4 in Ma and GCSE in Food or Hospitality desirable
French	5 in En or El and 6 in Fr
Further Maths	7 in Ma
Geography	5 in En or El and 4 in Ma and 5 in a Humanities subject
Graphics	4 in En and 5 in an Art/Design subject if taken at GCSE (otherwise a portfolio of work)
Health & Social Care	4 in En
History	5 in En or El and 5 in a Humanities subject
Law	5 in En
Maths	7 in Ma
Music	Grade 4 in a graded music exam for an instrument or singing, otherwise an audition
Physics	6/6 in Sc or relevant Science if Triple and 6 in Ma
Politics	5 in En
Product Design	4 in En and 4 in Ma and 5 in an Art/Design subject if taken at GCSE (otherwise a portfolio of work)
Psychology	4/4 in Science, 5 in Maths and English OR Grade 6 in GCSE Psychology
Religious Studies	5 in En or El and 5 in a Humanities subject
Sociology	5 in En
Sport	4 in En and 4 in Sc (ideally Bio), 5 or Merit in L2 BTEC Sport or PE desirable
Textile Design	4 in En and 5 in an Art/Design subject if taken at GCSE (otherwise a portfolio of work)

Key:

En = English Language

El = English Literature

Ma = Maths

Sc = Science

Addendum- Oversubscription Policy

Additional admissions Policy for Business Studies, Law and any oversubscribed subject based on accepted offers following an application.

Oversubscribed subjects will be subject to contingency requirements and minimum entry standards may be raised to manage numbers at the discretion of the 6th form leadership team.