

# RIDDLEDOWN SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

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All internal applicants who meet the admission criteria will be offered a place.

## Applications

Applications should be made on the Riddlesdown Sixth Form Application Form this is available at [www.riddlesdown.org](http://www.riddlesdown.org) or at the Sixth form Open Evening in October.

Students will follow one of two curriculum pathways depending Year 11 performance

<b>1. A Level route</b>	<b>2 year course</b>	<b>Level 3</b>
<b>2. National Diploma / A Level route</b>	<b>2 year course</b>	<b>Level 3</b>

## **To study the A Level route**

- *Seven or more G.C.S.E. passes at the highest grades (A\*-C)*
- *Grade A\*-B in the subject to be studied, or the most similar subject*
- *G.C.S.E. A\*-C in English and Mathematics (students who have not achieved this will be required to resit the examination)*

## **To study National Diploma / A Level route**

- *Five or more G.C.S.E. passes at the highest grades (A\*-C)*
- *G.C.S.E. A\*-C in English and Mathematics (students who have not achieved this will be required to resit the examination)*

## Course Structure

### **The A Level Route**

Year 12                      *Choose 4 A.S. Level courses, sitting examinations at the end of the year. Students are taught for 21 hours per week, with the remaining time spent on private study and enrichment*

Year 13                      *Specialise by cashing in 1 A.S. Level and following the other 3 at A2 to complete 3 full A Levels. Students are taught for 15 hours per week, with the remaining time spent on private study and enrichment*

### **The National Diploma / A Level route**

Year 12                      *Choose one National Diploma, plus one A.S. Level. Students are taught for 16 hours per week, with the remaining time spent on private study and enrichment*

Year 13                      *Continue with and complete the National Diploma. Progress to A2 from the A.S. Level. Students are taught for 15 hours per week, with the remaining time spent on private study and enrichment*