



# The Stafford



**Stafford Collegiate Prospectus  
Academic Year 2014-2015**

## Learner Agreement

As members of the Stafford Collegiate all students have rights and responsibilities.

### Rights

- To be treated with respect, courtesy and consideration.
- To be provided with high quality lessons following structured programmes of study.
- To have regular assessments set which will be returned within two weeks with constructive feedback explaining how to make further progress.
- To be provided with one annual report and a review on progress for parents.
- To be provided with a safe, stimulating and appropriate environment in which to study.
- To have opportunities to feedback any concerns about any aspect of their courses.
- To be offered information, advice and guidance through a tutorial programme to support them with transition to the next stage of education or employment.

### Responsibilities

- To treat others and their property with respect and consideration.
- To dress appropriately, avoiding clothing which may be deemed offensive or inappropriate in a learning environment.
- To ensure punctual attendance to all lessons\* and report any legitimate absence to the appropriate people.
- To show commitment and enthusiasm, working to full potential and meeting all deadlines set for work.
- To use Private Study time to develop work started in lessons and not to undertake employment during timetabled time.
- To abide by all relevant policies on use of Internet, Mobile Phones, Smoking, and Student Discipline that are relevant to each partner institution.

## Welcome to the Stafford Collegiate

Thank you for considering the Stafford Collegiate as the place to continue your education. We believe that we provide the best 16-19 curriculum in the area. The Stafford Collegiate has been working successfully as a partnership of post-16 education providers for several years. It offers an outstanding range of courses at both A-level and BTEC for students from all the Stafford high schools and academies. The goal of the Collegiate is to maximise the opportunities for all 16-19 students in Stafford by ensuring they have access to the broadest possible curriculum.

A unique feature of Stafford Collegiate is that whilst each partner retains its independence, identity and ethos, co-operation takes place where it is clear students will benefit. Students gain the advantage of belonging to an institution which will support them through KS5 and give them all necessary pastoral care and tutorial support. Alongside this a student can take full advantage of choosing a programme of study from all partners.

It should be recognised that some courses are available at more than one institution. Students will take a course at their own school if it is part of that institution's curriculum offer, but can also take full advantage of opting to follow courses on offer in all partner institutions. This may involve travelling between schools, Chetwynd and College, and to allow this to happen all partners operate a broadly common timetable.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Collegiate in 2014.

*Steve Smith*

Collegiate Manager

### Key Dates

2 December	UCAS Progress application process opens
10 December	The Weston Road Academy Choices Evening
14 January	Walton High School Choices Evening
15 January	Stafford Sports College Choices Evening
22 January	Sir Graham Balfour School Choices Evening
28 January	Chetwynd Centre Open Evening
4 February	King Edward VI High School Choices Evening
6 February	Blessed William Howard Catholic High School Choices Evening
28 February	UCAS Progress application process closes

## Making Decisions

This is an exciting time for Y11 students and it is vital that you research your future programme of study very carefully. You should think about your possible post-18 options and, in doing so, you may wish to look at university prospectuses or websites to view entry criteria. You should also consider your own strengths, see where you are succeeding, but also consider subjects which may be new to you: psychology, philosophy, media studies, etc. Take time to read carefully the individual course specification sheets available from all the Stafford schools, the Chetwynd Centre, Stafford College, UCAS Progress or on the website, before making your choice.

By using this prospectus you can work out your timetable when discussing your preferred programme of study and see what travel implications it may involve. Do not be put off by this.

As a sixth form student you will gain a good experience of what life beyond school, such as university or the workplace, may be like.

The application process usually begins after your mock GCSE examinations. Each school hosts a Post-16 Evening. Some students may not know what AS and A-levels are or the difference between BTEC Level 3 Diplomas or Subsidiary Diplomas. Take as much advice as you can from school, home, advisors and, of course, Staffordshire Young People's Service.

As part of the decision-making process you may wish to consider your own strengths. If you can work out your working or predicted **average point score** (see below) at GCSE it should help you decide whether you wish to study a full four A-level programme, concentrate on just three subjects or follow a programme mixing BTEC and A-level courses.

Schools have a spreadsheet which allows you to see predicted A-level grades in different subjects by entering your APS.

### Average Points Score

Grade	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Point Score	58	52	46	40	34	28	22	16

The level of course you progress on to depends on your achievement in your GCSE examinations. To give an indication of your potential achievement in KS5, staff and students use the APS (average point score). You can use your score to help determine the most suitable programme of study in the Sixth Form and also look up the possible grades you might achieve.

## Entry Criteria for Stafford Collegiate

Because of the different combinations of courses available, there is a clear set of entry criteria for students following courses through the Stafford Collegiate.

- To study four AS-level courses or a Level 3 BTEC and two AS-level courses in Y12, you must achieve a minimum of 5 GCSE passes at A\*-C in at least four different subject areas, including Mathematics and English. You must also attain a GCSE average points score in excess of 40.
- To study three AS Level courses, or a Level 3 BTEC and an AS Level in Y12, you must achieve a minimum of 5 GCSE passes at A\*-C in at least four different subject areas, including Mathematics and English.
- To study Mathematics, Modern Foreign Languages or Music you will be required to achieve at least a B grade in that subject at GCSE.
- To study Science (Biology, Human Biology, Chemistry or Physics) you will be required to achieve at least a B grade in Additional Science or have achieved C or above in the individual subject area if taken as a separate science.
- To study Psychology you will be required to achieve at least a B grade in Additional Science or Biology.
- To study Further Mathematics you will be required to achieve an A/A\* grade in Mathematics at GCSE.
- To study Philosophy you will be required to achieve at least a B grade in English or English Language.
- To study other subjects already taken at GCSE you must achieve a C grade or above.
- To study Level 3 Vocational Courses you will need an A\*-C pass in at least five GCSE subjects, including Mathematics and English, or a Level 2 BTEC at Merit or above.

### Admissions Panel

Students should be referred to the Admissions Panel where:

- An applicant offers alternative qualifications;
- Has not met entry criteria but there are known mitigating circumstances;
- A student wishes to repeat a year of a course.

The panel comprises representatives of heads from partner schools and the Collegiate Manager and meets during the first week of the Autumn Term. The panel reserves the right not to offer a place on a course to students who, it believes, would not benefit from it.

## CURRICULUM PROGRAMME 2014

BLOCK A			BLOCK B			BLOCK C			BLOCK D			BLOCK E		
Accountancy	AS	KE	Art	AS	CH	Art	AS	BWH WA	Art	AS	SGB	Art	AS	SSC
Applied Science <sup>1</sup>	BTEC	SSC	Chemistry	AS	WA	Biology	AS	SGB WR	Art & Design <sup>5</sup>	BTEC	CH	Art & Design <sup>5</sup>	BTEC	CH
Art	AS	CH	Economics	AS	WA	Business Studies	AS	WA	Biology	AS	WA	Business <sup>5</sup>	BTEC	CH
Biology	AS	BWH WA	Economics & Business	AS	CH	Chemistry	AS	WA	Business <sup>5</sup>	BTEC	CH	Chemistry	AS	BWH SGB WR
Creative Media Production <sup>2</sup>	BTEC	SSC	English Language/Literature	AS	SSC	Classical Civilisation	AS	WR	Business Studies	AS	WR	Computing	AS	CH
D & T Food	AS	WA	English Language	AS	CH	D & T Graphics	AS	SGB	Chemistry	AS	KE	D & T Textiles	AS	WA
Economics	AS	BWH	Film Studies	AS	WR	English Literature <sup>7</sup>	AS	SGB WA	Creative Media Production <sup>2</sup>	BTEC	SSC	Dance <sup>1</sup>	BTEC	BWH
Environmental Studies	AS	KE	Geography	AS	BWH WA	History	AS	KE SSC WA	D&T Product Design	AS	WA	English Language/Literature	AS	BWH WA
Film Studies	AS	WA	German	AS	WA	ICT <sup>6</sup>	CT	SSC	English Literature <sup>7</sup>	AS	KE WA WR	English Literature	AS	BWH
French	AS	KE SGB WA	History	AS	BWH WA	Mathematics	AS	BWH	Further Maths <sup>3</sup>	AS	WA	Geography	AS	KE
Further Maths <sup>3</sup>	AS	BWH KE	Human Biology	AS	KE	Mathematics	AS	BWH	Geography	AS	WA	Health & Social Care <sup>5</sup>	BTEC	CH
Geography	AS	SGB WR	ICT	AS	CH	Performing Arts (Drama) <sup>1</sup>	BTEC	SSC	Government & Politics	AS	CH	History	AS	SGB WR
ICT	AS	WR	Mathematics	AS	SGB WR	Physics	AS	KE WA	Health & Social Care <sup>5</sup>	BTEC	CH	I.C.T. <sup>6</sup>	CT	WA
Law	AS	CH	Music	AS	BWH	Psychology	AS	WR	History	AS	CH	Mathematics	AS	KE WA
Mathematics	AS	WA	PE	AS	WA	Psychology	AS	CH SGB BWH	ICT	AS	SGB	Media Studies	AS	CH WA
PE	AS	KE	Performance Studies	AS	SGB	Sociology	AS	CH	Media Studies	AS	WA	Music/Performing Arts <sup>1</sup>	BTEC	KE
Philosophy	AS	WR	Performing Arts (Drama) <sup>1</sup>	BTEC	BWH	Sports Leadership <sup>4</sup>	BTEC	SSC	PE	AS	SGB	Psychology	AS	WA
Philosophy & Ethics	AS	CH WA	Psychology	AS	CH SGB BWH	Travel & Tourism <sup>1</sup>	BTEC	KE	Media Studies	AS	WA	Science & Society	AS	WA
Physics	AS	WA	Sociology	AS	CH				Philosophy & Ethics	AS	BWH	Spanish	AS	BWH KE
Psychology	AS	CH	Sports Leadership <sup>4</sup>	BTEC	SSC				Physics	AS	BWH SGB WR	Sports Leadership <sup>4</sup>	BTEC	SSC
Sociology	AS	CH										Travel & Tourism <sup>1</sup>	BTEC	KE

### FOOTNOTES

1. BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma.
2. Creative Media can be taken in Block D as a BTEC Subsidiary Diploma or Blocks A and D as a BTEC Diploma.
3. Further Maths in Block A must be taken with Maths at KE in block E; Further Maths at WA is a double option and must be taken in blocks D and E.
4. Sports Leadership can be taken in Block B as a BTEC Subsidiary Diploma or Blocks B and E as a BTEC Diploma.
5. BTEC Level 3 Diploma: these subjects **must** be taken in both option blocks.
6. Cambridge Technical (CAMTEC) level 3 ICT.
7. To study English Literature at WA you should have achieved at least a Grade C at GCSE.

### KEY TO PROVIDERS

<b>BWH</b>	<b>CH</b>	<b>KE</b>	<b>SGB</b>
Blessed William Howard Catholic High School office@bwh.staffs.sch.uk	Chetwynd Centre officemanager@chetwynd.staffs.sch.uk	King Edward VI High School office@kevi.org.uk	Sir Graham Balfour School office@sirgrahambalfour.staffs.sch.uk
<b>SSC</b>	<b>WA</b>	<b>WR</b>	
Stafford Sports College office@staffordsportscollege.staffs.sch.uk	Walton High School office@walton.staffs.sch.uk	The Weston Road Academy office@westonroad.staffs.sch.uk	



## Subject Location

Subject	BWH	CH	KE	SGB	SSC	WA	WR
Accountancy (A level)			A				
Applied Science (BTEC)					A		
Art & Design (BTEC)		D/E					
Art (A-level)	C	A B		D	E	C	
Biology (A level)	A			C		A D	C
Business (BTEC)		D/E					
Business Studies (A level)						C	D
Chemistry (A level)	E		D	E		B C	E
Classical Civilisation (A level)							C
Computing (A level)		E					
Creative Media Production (BTEC)					A/D		
D & T Food (A level)						A	
D & T Graphics (A level)				C			
D & T Textiles (A level)						E	
D&T Product Design (A level)						D	
Dance (BTEC)	E						
Drama & Theatre Studies (A level)							
Economics & Business (A level)		B					
Economics (A level)	A					B	
English Lang/Lit (A level)	E				B	E	
English Language (A level)		B					
English Literature (A level)	E		D	C		C D	D
Environmental Studies (A level)			A				
Film Studies (A level)						A	B
French (A level)			A	A		A	
Further Maths (A level)	A		A			D/E	
Geography (A level)	B		E	A		B D	A
German (A level)						B	
Government & Politics (A level)		D					
Health & Social Care (BTEC)		D/E					
History (A level)	B	D	C	E	C	B C	E
Human Biology (A level)			B				
I.C.T. (CAMTEC)					C	E	
ICT (A level)		B		D			A
Law (A level)		A					
Mathematics (A level)	C		E	B		A E	B
Media Studies (A level)		E				D E	
Music (A level)	B						
Music/Performing Arts (BTEC)			E				
PE (A level)			A	D		B	
Performance Studies (A level)				B			
Performing Arts (BTEC)	B				C		
Philosophy & Ethics (A level)	D	A				A	
Philosophy (A level)							A
Physics (A level)	D		C	D		A C	D
Psychology (A level)	B	A B		B		E	C
Science & Society (A level)						E	
Sociology (A level)		A B					
Spanish (A level)	E		E				
Sports Leadership (BTEC)					B/E		
Travel and Tourism (BTEC)			E				

## Applying to Stafford Collegiate



Stafford Collegiate uses UCAS Progress for its applications.

**Step 1:** After reading through this booklet, look at the courses available. Start to discuss your options and look at details of the subjects on the UCAS Progress site.

**Step 2:** On the internet go to [www.ucasprogress.com](http://www.ucasprogress.com) and from the homepage login with the username and password provided by school. You will be prompted to change your password.

**Step 3:** Complete **My Profile** and check your personal details. You must add an e-mail address at this stage so that we can contact you during the application process.

**Step 4:** You will be guided by school as to when to complete the **Personal Statement, Qualifications** and **Work History**.

**Step 5:** To search for the courses offered by the Collegiate click on **Home** and use the following filters:

- Enter **Stafford**
- Choose **This Area Only**
- Choose **Post 16**
- Enter **Stafford Collegiate**

Courses are listed by establishment. You can choose the courses you are interested in and add them to **Favourites**.

Remember you cannot choose more than one subject from each Block and check with BTECs as they may need to be chosen across two blocks.

**Step 6:** After you have discussed your proposed programme of study:

- Click on **Applications...Start a New Application**
- Click on **Stafford Collegiate**
- Tick your chosen courses
- Save Application
- Click **Submit Application**
- Tick **Permissions** box
- Submit

Schools will guide their students through the process and may require students to complete their application during personal meetings with tutors.

## Studying Post-16

### Induction

We are aware that transition from KS4 to KS5 can be stressful. Some of our partners offer taster weeks after the GCSE examinations have finished in July. In order to provide students with the best possible start, all students undergo a period of induction during the first week of lessons.

### Private Study

Part of every student's timetable will be shown as Private Study. Students are expected to take responsibility for managing their time and workload. It is expected that students should spend at least three hours per subject per week studying outside of lessons.

### Target Setting and Monitoring

Each Collegiate student is set a series of personalised target grades based on their previous academic performance. Progress against these targets is monitored on a regular basis. This ensures that students remain focused and well motivated, and retain a sense of realism about their academic performance.

### Pastoral Support

Every Collegiate student is entitled to pastoral support with an assigned tutor, who has responsibility for overseeing their students' progress, agreeing academic targets, and working on applications to university, college or the workplace.

### Enrichment

Within the Collegiate there is an extensive range of enrichment activities offered to students. This may include additional AS subjects, Extended Project or further recreational and academic options.

### Transport

If you choose to study courses at different institutions find out about travel. It is your responsibility to organise transport at the beginning and end of each day, but transport may be provided if you need to travel during the day.

## Collegiate Timetable

Year 12 (Y13 Timetable in brackets)

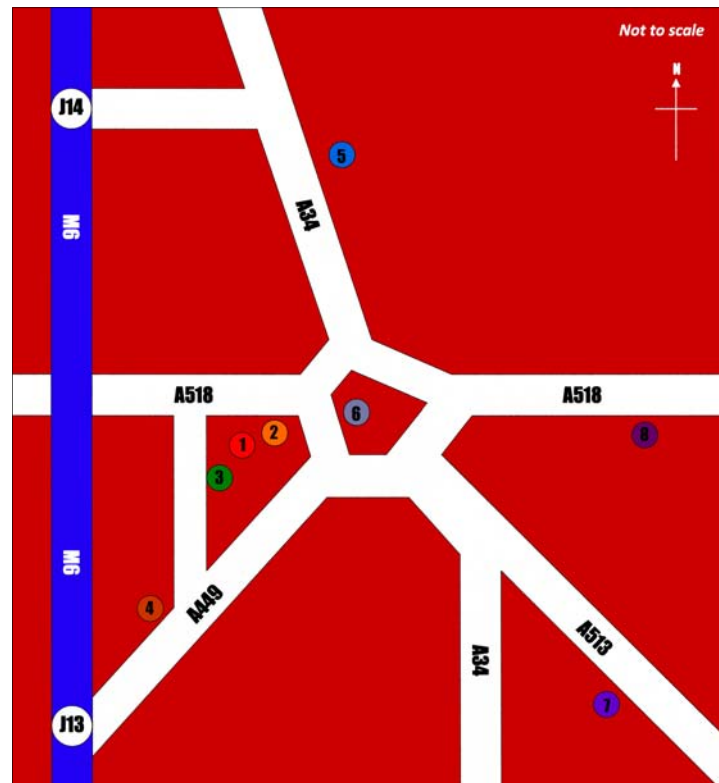
Day	1	2	Break	3	4	Break	5	6	Break	7	8
	Session 1			Session 2			Session 3			Session 4	
Mon	Block A (Block E)	Block A (Block E)		Block A (Block E)	Block A (Block E)		Block D (Block B)	Block D (Block B)		Block D (Block B)	Block D (Block B)
Tue				Block E (Block C)	Block E (Block C)		Block C (Block A)	Block C (Block A)			
Wed	Block B (Block D)	Block B (Block D)		Block B (Block D)	Block B (Block D)					Block A (Block E)	Block A (Block E)
Thu				Block D (Block B)	Block D (Block B)		Block E (Block C)	Block E (Block C)		Block E (Block C)	Block E (Block C)
Fri	Block C (Block A)	Block C (Block A)		Block C (Block A)	Block C (Block A)		Block B (Block D)	Block B (Block D)			









## Collegiate Lesson Start Times


Centre	Session 1	Session 2	Lunch	Session 3	Session 4*
BWH	9.00	11.20	1.20	2.15	3.35
CH	9.00	11.00	12.40	1.40	3.35
SGB	8.50	9.50	1.30	2.20	3.30
KE	9.00	11.00	12.40	1.35	3.35
SSC	9.00	11.20	1.20	2.00	3.35
WA	9.00	10.55	12.35	1.40	3.35
WR	9.10	11.10	12.50	1.45	3.35

\* Twilight sessions normally finish at 5.15 pm (4.30 pm at SGB)

## PARTNERS IN THE STAFFORD COLLEGIATE



- 1  **Blessed William Howard Catholic High School**  
Rowley Avenue, Stafford ST17 9AB  
01785 244236
- 2  **Chetwynd Centre**  
Newport Road, Stafford ST16 2HE  
01785 785270
- 3  **King Edward VI High School**  
West Way, Stafford ST17 9YJ  
01785 258546
- 4  **Stafford Sports College**  
Wolverhampton Road, Stafford ST17 9DJ  
01785 258383
- 5  **Sir Graham Balfour School**  
North Avenue, Stafford ST16 1NR  
01785 223490
- 6  **Stafford College**  
Earl Street, Stafford ST16 2QR  
01785 223800
- 7  **Walton High School**  
The Rise, Walton on the Hill, Stafford ST17 0LJ  
01785 356300
- 8  **The Weston Road Academy**  
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