



HECKMONDWIKE GRAMMAR SIXTH FORM

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Statement of school context

Heckmondwike Grammar Sixth Form is a large, diverse, co-educational sixth form of 500 students, located in Kirklees, West Yorkshire. While a large number of students progress to the sixth form from our selective 11-16 school, the majority join us from a large number of neighbouring schools, some of which perform at below the national average at GCSE level.

University progression

The overwhelming majority, typically over 80%, of our students progress directly to university at the end of year 13, and most of the remainder apply having left the school. Of those who do progress to university, around 50% are of the first generation of their immediate families to progress to higher education and over 40% typically progress to 'high tariff' courses.

Sixth form curriculum

Students are admitted to the sixth form on the basis of their GCSE results and select a curriculum appropriate to their ability and interests.

The typical year 13 student will complete three A levels, though a small number elect to take a fourth A level. Approximately 80 students also elect to complete an EPQ, and very able mathematicians may sit further mathematics. The sixth form does not offer vocational qualifications and students are not entered for AS-level examinations

Predicted grades

Students are assessed regularly against external examination criteria, including a full mock exam series in the June of year 12. Subject teachers provide Projected Attainment Grades (PAGs) at regular intervals throughout the year, which provide a cumulative picture of each student's attainment and likely progress in each subject. Taken together, these mock exam results and the most recent PAG provide the evidential basis of our predicted grades.

We hope that you find this information useful in adding general context to our students' applications; please refer to Ucas references for context about individual applicants, and feel free to contact the school should you require more information about our school or a particular student.

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