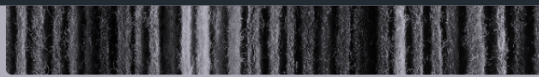




Year 9 Options Process

2021

Pathways...



Year 9 Options Form 2020-21

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Pathway

Please select your Pathway from...

- 1. The Free Elective Pathway**
Students are free to select from any of the subjects listed on the options form. Try to ensure that you pick a broad and balanced set of subjects so that you don't close off any post-16 pathways.
- 2. The Ebacc. Pathway**
Students must select at least one of Geography and History before making a free choice for their final two subjects and a reserve.
- 3. The Personalised Pathway**
The Personalised Pathway delivery takes place in a small group and focuses on life skills and activities - as well as qualifications to help students in the future. Students will be advised if this is a pathway which would be suitable for them to follow. This option should not be picked without first talking to Mrs Parnaby.

Remember to choose your reserve choice carefully as this may be required.

[Further guidance can be found on the Options Information Leaflet]

Please select from... *

1. The Free Elective Pathway
2. The Ebacc. Pathway
3. The Personalised Pathway

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- The Free Elective Pathway
- The Ebacc. Pathway
- The Personalised Pathway



Student Guidance...



Before you make your choices you should consider...

- Which subjects you enjoy and would be happy to study in-depth for the next two years
- Which subjects you are good at – talk with your teachers!
- Are there any subjects that you **need** to take – depending on what you might want to do when you leave school or enter post-16 education

You should avoid...

- Picking a subject because your friends have chosen it. There are no guarantees that you will be in the same class, since most option subjects break in to two or more groups
- Picking a subject because of your like (or dislike) of a teacher. Again – it isn't possible at this stage to say who will be teaching you

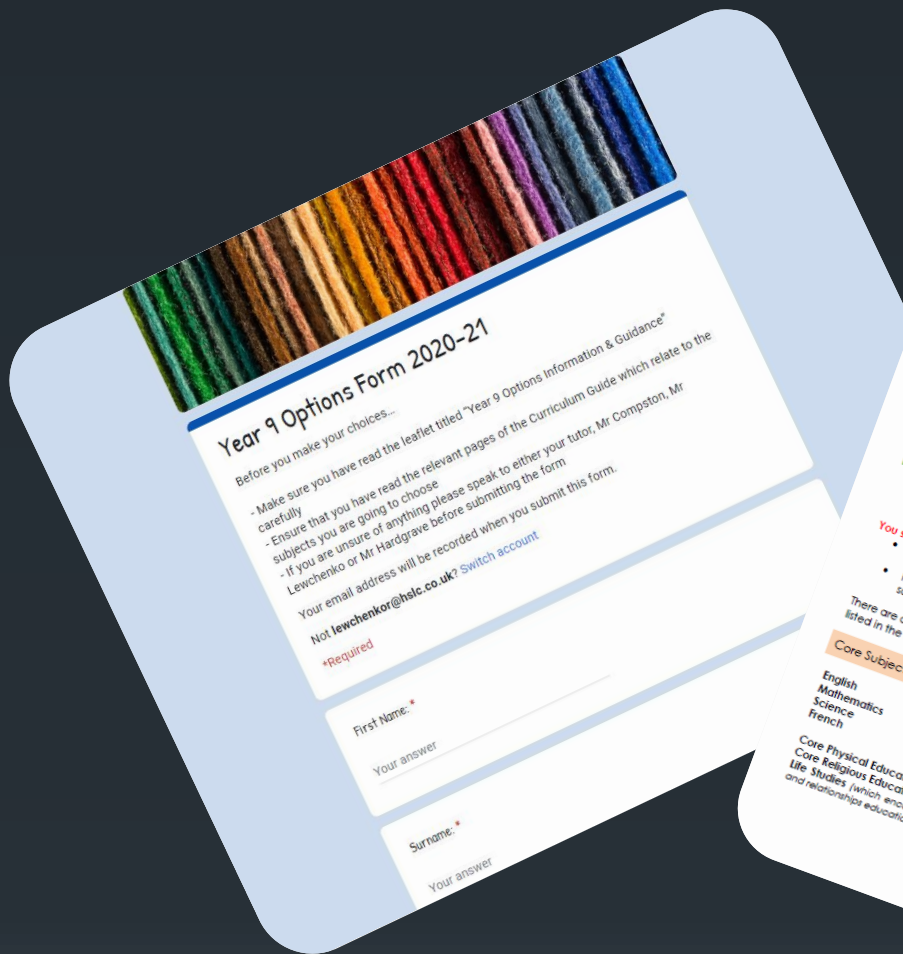
Top Tips for Parents

If your child is having difficulty in deciding which subjects to choose, you might consider...

- Talk through your child's strengths and which subjects they enjoy
- Encourage your child to think about what subjects they might need for any college course or career they may have in mind. Don't worry if they have no idea – most courses and employers like to see a **broad range of subjects** studied at GCSE
- Encourage your child to find out how certain subjects are assessed. Some students excel at practical work but can struggle in exams – for others the opposite is true.
- Make sure that your child has made a well-thought out reserve choice
- Don't be afraid to ask questions tonight!
- Encourage your child and provide information for them, but remember that **the final choice should be theirs.**

What next?...

- Year 9 Parents' Evening
 - Thursday, 4th March
- Pathways & Careers Lessons
 - Ongoing
- 'Virtual' Options Evening
 - Thursday, 18th March
- Deadline for the return of the options form
 - Friday, 16th April (*after the Easter break*)



Year 9 Options Form 2020-21

Before you make your choices...

- Make sure you have read the relevant pages of the Curriculum Guide which relate to the subjects you are going to choose
- Ensure that you have read the leaflet titled "Year 9 Options Information & Guidance"
- If you are unsure of anything please speak to either your tutor, Mr Compston, Mr Lewchenko or Mr Hardgrave before submitting the form


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Surname: *
 Your answer

Hornsea School
Year 9 Options Information & Guidance



This leaflet describes the elements of the curriculum which students who are currently in Year 9 will study during Years 10 and 11 (September 2021 to June 2023). A large part of the curriculum is compulsory for all students, but there is also an element of choice which means that students can shape their own learning programme in KS4 according to their interests and future education and career aspirations. Please spend some time reading this information to help your child make the best choices. The procedure for selecting option subjects is explained in brief here, however if you require any further information or guidance then you can contact a member of the curriculum team at curriculum@hslc.co.uk

Key Dates...

22 nd February	Year 9 Assembly to outline the options process
4 th March	Year 9 Parent's Evening
18 th March	Virtual Options Evening & Careers Information
16 th April	Deadline for options returns (via Google Form)

Students: Making the right choice...

For you, this year is a milestone. Until now you have taken the same subjects from year to year. Next year will be different. You will have to continue some subjects but will have a choice to select others.

Before you make your choices you should consider:

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There are a number of compulsory subjects that you must study as part of the curriculum next year. These are listed in the box below, on the left.

Core Subjects (Compulsory)

English	Further advice and guidance... In addition to your form tutor, the following staff are available to give guidance and help with options and career choices:
Mathematics	
Science	
French	

Core Physical Education (rebranded as "Games")
 Core Religious Education
 Life Studies (which encompasses careers education, sex and relationships education and work-related learning)

- Mr Lewchenko
- Mr Hardgrave
- Mr Atkinson
- Mr Compston
- Ms Richardson (Careers Co-ordinator)

A link to the electronic version of the Options Form and a leaflet with guidance has been emailed to you. Please ensure you are signed in with your school account when trying to access the form.



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