

Curriculum Review Choices



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Curriculum Options	Level				
	National 4	National 5	Higher	Advanced Higher	NPA
Admin & IT		✓	✓		SCQF 5
Art & Design		✓	✓	✓	
Biology			✓	✓ VLE	
Business Management		✓	✓		SCQF 5
Chemistry			✓	✓ VLE	
Computing Science		✓	✓		
Design & Manufacture		✓	✓		
Drama		✓	✓		
English		✓	✓	✓ VLE	
French		✓	✓ VLE		
Geography			✓	✓ VLE	
Health Sector – Skills for Work	✓	✓			
History			✓	✓ VLE	
Hospitality: Practical Cookery		✓			
Human Biology			✓ VLE		
Laboratory Science – Skills for Work		SCQF 5			
LEAPS – <i>for eligible pupils only</i>					
Maths		✓	✓	✓ VLE	
Maths – Applications		✓	✓		
Media		✓			
Modern Studies			✓	✓ VLE	
Music Performance		✓	✓		
Photography			✓		SCQF 5
Physical Education		✓	✓		
PE – Sport & Recreation		SCQF 5			
Physics			✓	✓ VLE	
Politics			✓ VLE		
Psychology			✓ VLE		
Practical Cake Craft		✓			
Practical Woodwork	✓	✓			
Spanish		✓	✓	✓ VLE	
Travel & Tourism		SCQF 5			

Please note: some classes/subjects may not run where uptake is small.

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Wider Achievement Opportunities (WAOs)	Level
Barista	SCQF 5
CREST	CREST Award
Criminology	SCQF 5
Dance	N5/H
Enterprise	SCQF 5
Mental Health & Wellbeing Award	SCQF 5
Media	Units at National 5
SFA Refereeing	SCQF 7
Technical Theatre	NPA Level 6
Young STEM Leader	SSERC Level 4/5/6

College Options	Level
Accounting (S6 only) - online	Higher
Childcare 9S6 only)	Higher
Admin & IT (S6 only)	HNC Level 6
Sports Coaching and Development HNC (S6 Only)	HNC Level 6
Engineering	Foundation Apprenticeship L6
Computer Games Development	NPA Level 5
Professional Cookery	NPA Level 5
Construction Level	NPA Level 4 and Level 5
Social Services & Healthcare	NPA Level 6
Social Services, Childcare & Young People	NPA Level 6
Skills for Work: Creative Industries	SCQF Level 5
Skills for Work: Early Education	National 5
Skills for Work: Engineering	SCQF Level 5
Skills for Work: Hospitality	SCQF Level 5
Intro to Computing	SCQF Level 5
Forensic Science	SCQF Level 5 and Level 6
Criminology	SCQF Level 7
Intro to Hair & Beauty	SCQF Level 4
Get Ready for Nursing and Allied Professions	SCQF Level 5

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Virtual Learning Options (VLE)	Level	
	Higher	Advanced Higher
Biology		✓
Computing	✓	
Chemistry		✓
English		✓
French	✓	
Geography		✓
History		✓
Maths		✓
Modern Studies		✓
Physics		✓
Politics <i>entry requirements: Higher Modern Studies at grade A/B, Higher History at grade A/B, OR National 5 Modern Studies at grade A/B and Higher English at grade A/B.</i>	✓ (S6 only)	
Psychology <i>entry requirements: Higher English at grade A or B</i>	✓ (S6 only)	
Software Development <i>entry requirements: A-C pass in Higher Computing</i>		Level 7
Spanish		✓

Entry Requirements:

Advanced Higher – Higher at grade A or B in the subject

Higher - National 5 at A or B in the subject



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What should I do if I want to study a VLE course?

Check the entry requirements for the subject you are interested in by looking at the FAQ document below.
Then choose the subject as part of your normal school option choice procedures.

Level 6/ Higher Courses Available

**Please note that admission into all VLE courses is dependent on uptake and staffing availability.*

- Higher Computing **(2 columns available)*
- Higher Psychology
- Higher Human Biology
- Higher Classical Studies
- Higher RMPS
- Higher French
- Higher Politics

What are VLE classes?

These courses allow pupils from any Falkirk school to access a subject virtually that either isn't already offered in their school, or isn't offered at a time that they can attend.
These courses can help pupils develop skills that will be useful beyond school such as independent learning and time management skills.

Remember to check entry requirements here

As part of the VLE pupils have:

- Access to the course via Teams or Google Classroom
- Between 4 and 5 periods per week of 'live learning' online
- All other periods are self-directed study/ learning set out by their teacher
- Termly in-person meet-ups with their class

Level 7/ Advanced Higher Courses Available

**Please note that admission into all VLE courses is dependent on uptake and staffing availability.*

- AH Chemistry **(3 columns available)*
- AH Mathematics
- AH RMPS
- AH Graphic Communication
- AH History
- L7 Software Development
- AH Geography
- AH Modern Studies
- AH German
- AH Spanish
- AH English **(2 columns available)*
- AH Biology **(2 columns available)*
- AH Physics **(2 columns available)*

