

Choice of Course Instructions:

Pupils moving into S4:

- You must select only **one subject from each column A to F (See below if you want to take a NESCOL school link course)**
- Your choices should be taken from the section marked as National courses unless your Guidance teacher indicates otherwise.
- If you cannot take a course because of a problem with the columns, or because it does not appear on the form, please indicate this at the bottom of the form.
- If courses are over-subscribed or your form is late, you may have to make second choices.
- Every effort will be made to run the courses you have selected, but courses may be withdrawn because of low uptake or staff shortages.
- In addition to 6 subjects chosen you will also have one period of PSE and one period of PE.
- **NESCOL School Link Courses** (Open to all pupils going into S4-6).
- **If you tick a NESCOL school link course you must also tick a National Course in F as back up.**
 - School link courses count as one option on the choice of course form.
 - Places on these courses are limited. An application form must be completed and there may be a selection process carried out by NESCOL. Please look out for notifications on Teams regarding the application process. Any queries should be directed to Mr Hynd or your Guidance Teacher.

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Pupils moving into S5:

- You must take **5 courses across columns A – E** (no more than 1 selection in each column). You should speak to the Principal Teacher of the Faculty and ask them to initial the form for all courses at Higher / Level 6.
- If you plan to take a NESCOL 'School Link Course' in column F you must still select 5 other courses.
- As well as your chosen subjects you will have PSE and PE.
- If you cannot take a course because of a problem with the columns, or because it does not appear on the form, please indicate this at the bottom of the form. *Additional college options not indicated on the form may also be available, please see your Guidance Teacher for more information.*
- If courses are over-subscribed or your form is late, you may have to make second choices.
- Every effort will be made to run the courses you have selected, but courses may be withdrawn because of low uptake or staff shortages.

Wider Achievement

- From the S5 Wider Achievement options in **F** you must **select one option**. *Please note that after the choice of course process there may be changes to Wider Achievement options available.*
- If selecting a NESCOL School Link course in F you will be unable to take a Wider Achievement option.

Faculty Study

- You will have 3 periods of 'Faculty Study' – please select any two Faculties that offer the courses you intend to take.

NESCOL School Link Courses

- A NESCOL School link course can be chosen in addition to the 5 courses selected. If you select this, you will be unable to take Wider Achievement however you should still select two Faculties for 'Faculty Study'.
- Places on NESCOL courses are limited. An application form must be completed and there may be a selection process carried out by NESCOL. Please look out for notifications on Teams regarding the application process. Any queries should be directed to Mr Hynd or your Guidance Teacher.

Foundation Apprenticeships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberdeenshire Council or NESCOL will deliver some or all of the Foundation Apprenticeship courses listed. If you would like to study one of these please tick the box next to the course you would like to do. In addition you must choose the recommended number of courses as explained at the top of the sheet. Once we have confirmation that the Foundation Apprenticeship will run we can amend your course choices. • For full course details see the Choice of Course Booklet. Before selecting one of these Level 6 Foundation Apprenticeships please discuss with your Guidance teacher.
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Pupils moving into S6:

<p>You must take</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 Adv Highers + Wider Achievement or Work Experience (self-found placement) OR • 4 courses + Wider Achievement or Work Experience: • You should speak to the Principal Teacher of the Faculty and ask them to initial the form for all courses at Higher / Level 6 and Advance Higher. • As well as your chosen subjects, you will have PSE. • If you cannot take a course because of a problem with the columns, or because it does not appear on the form, please indicate this at the bottom of the form. Additional online Advanced Higher courses or college options not indicated on the form may also be available. Please see your Guidance teacher for more information. • If courses are over-subscribed or your form is late, you may have to make second choices. • Every effort will be made to run the courses you have selected, but courses may be withdrawn because of low uptake or staff shortages.

Wider Achievement	You must select one option from the Wider Achievement list – this could be Work Experience. <i>Please note that after the choice of course process there may be changes to Wider Achievement options available</i>
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Work Experience	If not taking a Wider Achievement option and you will be undertaking Work Experience you should arrange a placement for yourself on a Friday morning.
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S6 Study	You must select this in any free columns where you have not selected a course.
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