



S4 Choices Sheet 2024-25

Name: _____

Subject	Level	Priority
Expressive Arts Faculty		
Art and Design	4/5	
Creative Industries NPA Level 5	5	
Drama	4/5	
Music	4/5	
Health and Wellbeing Faculty		
Health and Food Technology	4/5	
Fashion and Textile Technology	4/5	
Physical Education	4/5	
Practical Cookery	4	
Team Sports NPA	5	
Humanities Faculty		
Geography	4/5	
History	4/5	
Modern Studies	4/5	
RMPS	4/5	
Social Subjects Pathway	4	
Travel & Tourism	4/5	
Mathematics Faculty		
Computing	4/5	
Modern Languages Faculty		
French	4/5	
German	4/5	
German for Life and Work Award	3/4/5	
Spanish	4/5	
Science Faculty		
Biology	4	
Biology	4/5	
Chemistry	4/5	
Environmental Science	4/5	
Horticulture	4	
Physics	4/5	
Technologies Faculty		
Admin and IT	4/5	
Business & IT NPA	5	
Business Management	4/5	
Design and Manufacture	4/5	
Engineering Science	4/5	
Graphic Communication	4/5	
Practical Electronics	4/5	
Practical Woodworking	4/5	
Vocational Courses		
Employability & Enterprise	3/4/5	



What will I study at EHS in S4?

You will study your chosen subjects for 5 periods per week. You will be able to select up to 4 subjects from across various curricular areas. Everyone studies English and Maths so these do not appear on the choices form.

We want you to think about the various pathways that are available to you. We have added Faculty Pathway maps on Teams and the school website to help. They detail progression and possible attainment that each subject and curricular area bring.

We have also added some key terms that are important for you to understand.

N = National Level (4 or 5)

H = Higher Level (6)

AH = Advanced Higher Level (7)

The following link should help explain the key terms and the progression of levels:

<https://scqf.org.uk/about-the-framework/interactive-framework/>

NPAs = National Progression Awards

NPAs are available in a variety of sectors, from construction and childcare to areas such as Digital Literacy and Social Software. They are aimed at assessing a defined set of skills and knowledge in specialist vocational areas.

National 4

National 4 courses are made up of units, including an added value unit which assesses learner's performance across the course. The units are assessed pass or fail by a teacher/lecturer and learners need to pass units including the added value unit to achieve the qualification.

National 5

These courses are assessed through an exam or coursework or both, most of which will be marked by the SQA. In some subjects the coursework is marked by a teacher/lecturer.

The courses are graded A to D or 'No Award'. These courses are the best option, in most cases, for progression to university and further study.



Borders Schools Academy

The following courses are run by Scottish Borders College.

All will run on a Friday from 10.00 am to 2.30pm unless stated otherwise.

Please note that college students will have transportation to and from the school but as their return to EHS is after our school buses leave on a Friday, students will have to make their own way home.

Due to the timings you can only apply for 1 college course

Find out about the course you are interested in and apply online.

1. Visit <https://www.borderscollege.ac.uk/courses> and search for the course of your choice.
2. You can also visit <https://www.borderscollege.ac.uk/courses> and select Schools Academy from the 'Type of study' search filter.

KEY: SBC – Borders College Scottish Borders Campus. NSB – Borders College Newtown St Boswells Campus.

Applications and Course Information available from **15th January 2024**

If applying for a Borders Schools Academy course you must apply yourself through the Borders College website

<https://www.borderscollege.ac.uk/>



Borders Schools Academy 2024-25				
Subject	Level	Location	Day/Time	Priority
Foundation Apprenticeship: Hospitality	5	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Scottish Racing Academy: NPA Horse Care	4	SBC/Yard	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Scottish Racing Academy: Racing Yard Routine NPA	5	SBC/Yard	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Forestry at SCQF NPA	5	NSB	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Land-based: Rural Skills for Work	4	NSB	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Animal Care (an Introduction)	4	NSB	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Cyber Security NPA	5	SBC	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Engineering Schools Academy Group 2 - Gala - Schools Link	4	SBC	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 30 th May	
Foundation Apprenticeship: Automotive Skills - Nat 4 - Schools	4	SBC	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 30 th May	
Skills for Work: Early Education and Childcare - Nat 4 - Schools Link	4	SBC	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Skills for Learning and Work Link -Schools Link - 1 Day	3	SBC	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 30 th May	
Foundation Apprenticeship: Construction Craft & Technician - NPA - Schools Link	4	Galashiels	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 30 th May	
Foundation Apprenticeship: Construction Craft & Technician – NPA – Schools Link	4	Jedburgh	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 30 th May	
Foundation Apprenticeship: Construction Craft & Technician – NPA – Schools Link	4	Eyemouth	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 30 th May	
Foundation Apprenticeship: Construction Craft & Technician – NPA – Schools Link	4	Berwickshire	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 30 th May	
eSports - NPA	5	SBC	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Beauty and Hairstyling - NPA	4	SBC	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	
Development Player Programme: Rugby	5	SBC	Fri 23 rd Aug - Fri 28 th March	



Notes for Completion

Please select your four choices and a reserve for study in 2024/25. All pupils study English and Maths so these do not appear on the form.

Think carefully about your priorities – label from 1-4 and choose a reserve (R). We always work hard to get pupils their choices, but we cannot guarantee them

Your deadline is *Monday 26th February*. Please don't hand them in early. **If you miss the deadline, your choices will be considered last and you run a higher risk of not getting them.**

Remember, we can't change your choices until the new timetable comes out. We create your timetable round what YOU choose, so if you want to change, we can't guarantee this will happen.

Choices are final until the new timetable is ready. No changes will be considered until then. You may not get the change you request.

There is lots of information and support to help you. You can click on the links below:

My World of Work: <https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/>

Pathways-Subject Choice Planit : Career Pathways [Planit : Career Pathways \(planitplus.net\)](https://planitplus.net)

A-Z Career Options [Planit : Careers A to Z \(planitplus.net\)](https://planitplus.net)

The S3 into S4 Course Choice Booklet can be found on your year group Teams page but also on the Earlston High School website in the S4 School Bag area and in the Parents area under curriculum: <https://www.earlstonhighschool.org.uk/parents-top/curriculum>

Pupil Signature	
Parent/Carer Signature	
Guidance Teacher Signature	