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S5/6 Pathways

S5/6 Course Choices



What will I study in S5/6?

- It is a time to think about what curricular area pathways you want to progress into S5 & S6
- S5/6 should be purposeful and allow you to both achieve and attain for your future
- You will have the chance to select a variety of subjects that should all help support you with your future beyond EHS





PATHWAYS BOOKLET

For pupils choosing their subjects in S5&S6

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2024-25

What will I study in S/6?

- S5/6 students are free to select what subjects they would like to study.
- In S5 you have study periods or a 6th subject and Skills For Life. This consists of 1 period of RME, 1 period of Learner Journey and 1 Period of PE. They do not appear on the sheet.
- In S6 you have 1 period of Leadership and 1 period of Learner Journey. They do not appear on the sheet.



What will I study in S/6?

- In S5 you MUST choose 5 subjects.
- In S6, you MUST choose a minimum of 4 subjects OR 3 Advanced Highers OR 2 Advanced Highers and a Higher. (Note – Civil Engineering is equivalent to 3 subjects)
- You can only select 1 college course due to the timings and offerings.



S5/6 Practice Choice Sheet 2024/25 Name _____

Subject	Level			Priority
English Faculty				
English	4/5	H	AH	
Literature and Communication	6			
Maths Faculty				
Maths	4/5	H	AH	
Personal Finance	5			
Applications of Maths	4/5			
Computer Science	4/5			
Expressive Arts Faculty				
Art and Design	4/5	H	AH	
Drama	4/5	H	AH	
Music	4/5	H	AH	
Musical Theatre NPA	6			
Photography (Higher and NPA Level 5)	5	H		
Health and Wellbeing Faculty				
Costume Design NPA Level 5	5			
Health and Food Technology	4/5	H	AH	
Fashion and Textile Technology	4/5	H	AH	
Organising Volunteering Events in Sport NPA Level 6	6			
Physical Education	4/5	H		
Practical Cookery	4			
Sport and Fitness Team Sport NPA level 5	5			
Humanities Faculty				
Geography	4/5	H	AH	
History	4/5	H	AH	
Modern Studies	4/5	H	AH	
Politics		H		
RMPS	4/5	H	AH	
Travel and Tourism	4/5			
Modern Languages Faculty				
French	4/5	H	AH	
German	4/5	H	AH	
German for Life and Work Award	3/4/5			
Italian for Life	3			
Spanish	4/5	H	AH	
Science Faculty				
Biology	4/5	H	AH	
Chemistry	4/5	H	AH	
Environmental Science	4/5	H		
Horticulture	4			
Physics	4/5	H	AH	
Technologies Faculty				
Admin and IT	4/5			
Business Management	4/5	H	AH	
Design and Manufacture	4/5	H		
Engineering Science	4/5	H		
Graphic Communication	4/5	H		
Practical Electronics	4/5			

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Practical Metalwork	4/5		
Practical Woodworking	4/5		
Business & IT NPA Level 5	5		
Business & Marketing NPA Level 5 with Young Enterprise	5		
Vocational Courses			
Employability & Enterprise	4/5/6		

How do I make my choices?

1. Choose subjects by marking boxes with the numbers 1-5/6, with 1 being most important, 2 being second most important and so on.
2. Choose a reserve subject with the letter R
3. We always work hard to get pupils their choices, but we cannot guarantee them



What levels of courses are available to me?

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 = available in a variety of sectors and aimed at assessing a defined set of skills and knowledge in specialist vocational areas.
- National 4 = courses are made up of units. 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/Higher/Advanced Higher = courses assessed through an exam or coursework or both, most of which will be marked by the SQA. Courses graded A to D or 'No Award'.



What levels of courses are available to me?

Borders Schools Academy

- Courses run by Scottish Borders College.
- All will run on a Friday from 10.00 am to 2.30pm unless stated otherwise.
- Please note college students will have transportation to and from school but as return to EHS is after school buses leave on Friday, students will have to make their own way home.
- Can only select 1 college course due to timings



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Borders Schools Academy

- Find out about the course you are interested in <https://www.borderscollege.ac.uk/courses> and search the course of your choice.
- You can also visit <https://www.borderscollege.ac.uk/courses> and select Schools Academy from the 'Type of study' search filter.
- **If applying for Borders Schools Academy course you must apply yourself through Borders College website <https://www.borderscollege.ac.uk/>**



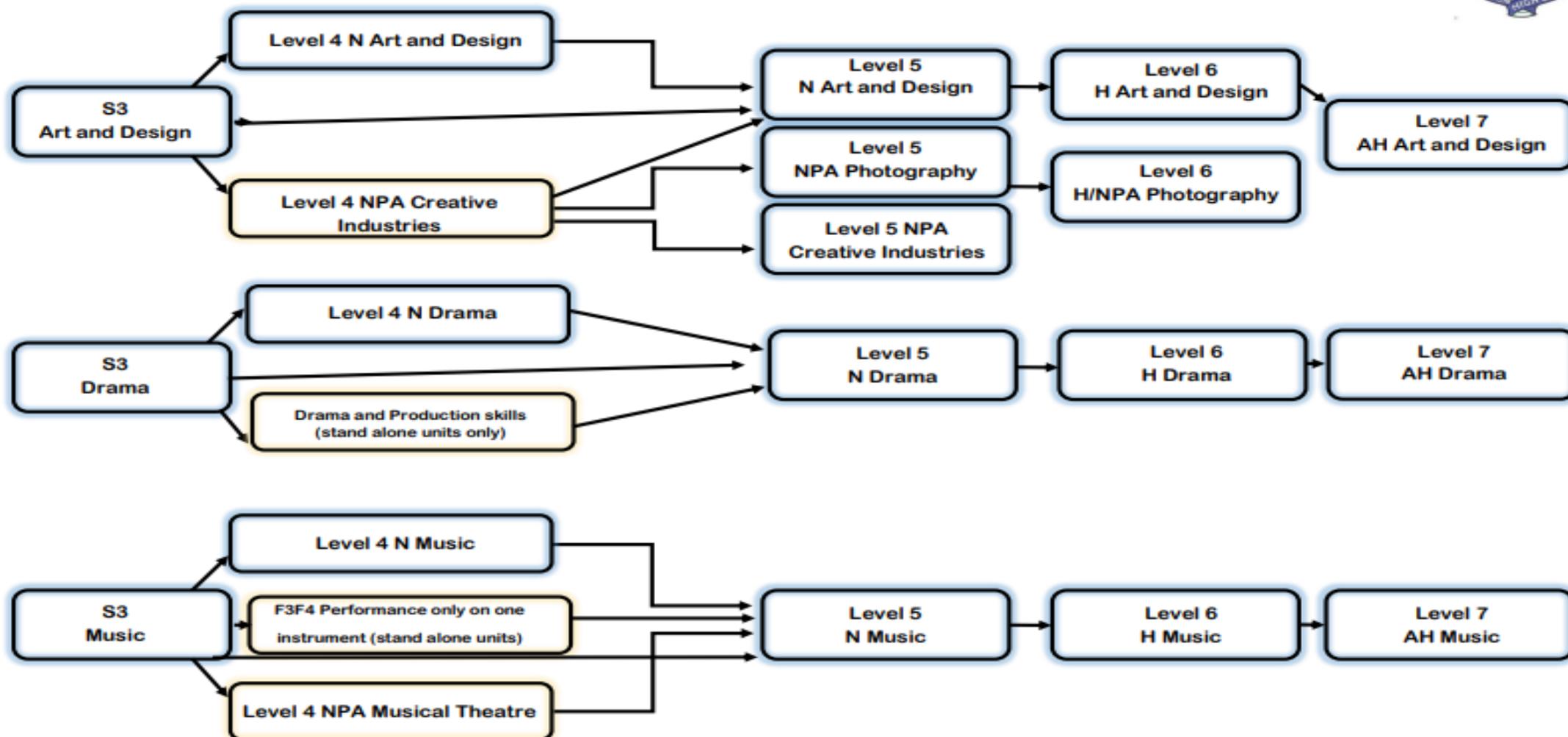
Borders Schools Academy 2024-25				
Subject	Level	Location	Day/Time	Priority
Foundation Apprenticeship: Hospitality	5	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Scottish Racing Academy: NPA Horse Care	4	SBC/Yard	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 28th March	
Scottish Racing Academy: Racing Yard Routine NPA	5	SBC/Yard	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 28th March	
Local Food Production NPA	6	NSB	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Forestry at SCQF NPA	5	NSB	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 28th March	
Land-based: Rural Skills for Work	4	NSB	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 28th March	
Animal Care (an Introduction)	4	NSB	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 28th March	
Gym Instructor award	6	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Development Player Programme: Rugby	6	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Development Player Programme: Football	6	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Cyber Security NPA	5	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 28th March	
Engineering Schools Academy Group 2 - Gala - Schools Link	4	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Foundation Apprenticeship: Automotive Skills - Nat 4 - Schools	4	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Skills for Work: Early Education and Childcare - Nat 4 - Schools Link	4	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 28th March	
Skills for Learning and Work Link -Schools Link - 1 Day	3	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Psychology (Higher) – NQ – Schools Link	6	SBC	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Foundation Apprenticeship: Construction Craft & Technician - NPA - Schools Link	4	Galashiels	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	
Foundation Apprenticeship: Construction Craft & Technician – NPA – Schools Link	4	Jedburgh	Fri 23rd Aug - Fri 30th May	

What is a Pathway?

- You will be given the opportunity to specialise in your chosen subjects in S5/6
- We want you to think about various curricular pathways so we have included the progression and possible attainment that each subject and curricular area bring
- Each curricular area has created a pathway picture to help



SENIOR PHASE PATHWAYS EXPRESSIVE ARTS



How do I know what the courses are like?

For each subject we have provided a course choice table

This gives you:

- What will I cover = Key content areas of the course
- Assessment = Is there an exam or is it internally assessed or a mix of both?
- Attainment = What qualifications can you get at what levels
- Homework = what's the out of class commitment
- Progression = What can you go onto study in S5/6
- Entry Requirements = what do I need to get on the course?
- Information from = Who can I talk to for more information



COURSE	History Higher Level 6
What will I cover?	<p>The course is made up of three units:</p> <p>Unit 1 – Britain 1851-1951 A study of the development of the United Kingdom into a modern democracy and the development of the role of the state in the welfare of its citizens, illustrating the themes of authority, <u>ideology</u> and rights.</p> <p>Unit 2 – Migration and Empire, 1830-1939 A study of population movement and social and economic change in Scotland and abroad between 1830 and 1939, illustrating the themes of empire, <u>migration</u> and identity.</p> <p>Unit 3 – USA, 1918-1968 A study of the growing tensions in American society, focusing on racial divisions, economic difficulties, the growth of federal powers and the struggle for civil rights, illustrating the themes of ideology, <u>identity</u> and rights.</p>
Assessment	<p>INTERNAL ASSESSMENT Students are required to write essays demonstrating knowledge and providing structured analysis and arguments for both unit 1 & 3. They will also interpret and evaluate historical sources in unit 2. There will be a formal assessment at the end of each unit.</p> <p>EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT There will be 2 exam papers worth 80 marks. Paper 1 is 2 essay questions - 1 essay from unit 1 & 1 from unit 3. Paper 2 is source based focussed on issue <u>2</u> Both papers will be 1 hour and 30 minutes. There will also be an Assignment worth 30 marks in which learners will write an essay on their own research into a historical issue or question in hour 30 minutes. <u>All of these skills progress from National 5.</u></p>
Homework	Extension of class-based assignments, essays and source answers and historical research for the externally marked assignment. 1 hour a week on average.
Attainment	Higher History
Entry Requirements	National 5 History or any other Humanities subject or B in National 5 English By negotiation with the department
Progression	Advanced Higher History
Information from	Mrs Grant

When do I make my choices?

- **Deadline is Tuesday 5th March** - you will meet with your Guidance Teacher in the Hall to finalise choices
- Late forms run the risk of losing out on choices
- Please note – we will do our best to give you your choices, but we cannot guarantee them
- You cannot change your choices until the creation of timetable



What support will I have?

- Access to our S5/6 Pathways Choices booklet
- Guidance Teacher will meet with you 1-on-1 to go over your choices
- You will receive an up-to-date tracking report on your class progress
- You will get a practice sheet to take home and discuss with home



Pathway options beyond EHS

- Graduate Apprenticeships
- University
- College
- Modern Apprenticeships
- Employment
- Travel
- Training Programmes
- Entrepreneurship



Online Support

My World of Work:

<https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/>

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

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

