



Ifield Community College Sixth Form Prospectus

WELCOME



I am very proud to be Headteacher of Ifield Community College and even more proud of our students whose energy, enthusiasm, ideas and positivity make us a vibrant and creative place to learn. We value every individual student who joins us, whether during years 7 to 11 or within the Sixth Form, we strive to develop them as well rounded, skilled people with the confidence and enthusiasm to be successful in their chosen career and to be a positive member of our society.

At ICC students come first.

The school is a calm, purposeful workplace and a happy environment. We promote tolerance and respect for each other alongside high ambition for every individual. We work hard to ensure that we develop the skills and personal attributes that will secure success throughout life.

To achieve our aims we value a genuine partnership with students and parents to ensure we teach and support each student in a dynamic and personal way. We believe the best way to help each student is to know them well and respond to their personal needs.

The Sixth Form teaching team is experienced and use their specific knowledge to inspire students using a variety of teaching approaches such as small group seminars, demonstrations, practical activities, e-learning based research, group debates and presentations; engaging students to achieve their very best. This was reflected in our recent judgement of 'Good' from Ofsted for the school and the Sixth Form.

We hope that you will continue to be or become part of the schools' success story and we look forward to receiving your application to join us in September 2024. I wish you the best of luck in your summer GCSE examinations.



I would like to offer you a very warm welcome to Ifield Community College's Sixth Form. We pride ourselves on offering an extensive Level 3 programme, in an environment where each and every student has opportunity and support to become the best they can be.

We in Sixth Form challenge you to use your initiative to become a responsible learner and encourage an approach to study that will carry you through all stages of your life, whether you choose to follow higher education at university or seek employment, either directly or through apprenticeships.

There will be many factors that will influence your choice of courses. These will include your expected achievements at GCSE or equivalent qualifications, any further plans you may have, and your own interests. You should take as much advice as you can from subject teachers, your mentor and other staff at school. Every student is important to us, so the Sixth Form College offers a wide range of qualifications including A Levels, and Level 3 BTEC qualifications.

As a community, we will all be happy to guide and support you in taking this next important step towards your future.

Dave Ward - Director of Sixth Form

Our Mission Statement

Ifield Community College is a purposeful and inclusive Sixth Form, inspiring students to approach studies with the independence, ambition and drive to achieve personal and academic success.

When you join ICC Sixth Form, you will become a valued and intrinsic part of a community based on respect and consideration for all. Those who make up our community are; support staff, teachers, peers, parents and the wider local area.

The expectation is that you will make a positive contribution to the Sixth Form community, **inspiring, supporting** and helping each other to **succeed**, whilst working proactively with all members to achieve your own personal goals.

Mr Ward and Miss McThredder

Meet the Team



Mr Ward
Director of sixth Form of Sixth Form



Miss McThredder
Sixth Form Progress Leader



Mrs Lambert
Pastoral Manager



Mrs Davey
Academic Mentor

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Inspire

Inspiring Learning:

We believe it is important to ignite a passion and interest so you feel motivated to reach your potential. Within Sixth Form we build our curriculum in order to provide you with subject choices that capture your imagination and excite you to succeed. Every lesson delivered is planned to a high standard which was recognised in our last Ofsted inspection.

We have modern study facilities that provide a positive environment to work whenever you have a study period.

Inspiring independence:

We truly believe that in Sixth Form, it is time for us to hand over the reigns to you. There is opportunity for you to develop independence whilst having us here to support and guide you. We offer a growing range of leadership opportunities that develop skills in problem solving, innovation, mentoring and public speaking. We also endeavour to work with you to create a Sixth Form experience that is positive. We want you to be heard and valued, so we elect Head Students who will work together with you to represent the voice of those in Sixth Form.

Support

We recognise that understandably you may face different challenges when making the step up to Sixth Form. At ICC we fully believe that every student matters. We ensure that any academic or personal worries you have are treated with the upmost importance. Our dedicated Sixth Form team are eager to assist you, providing a support network consisting of a Mentor, Pastoral Manager, Futures Leader, Attendance Officer, Progress Leader and Director of Sixth Form. As a community, we also expect you to support one another as peers, something we find a considerable strength within ICC Sixth Form.

The committed Sixth Form Team and talented teaching staff work tirelessly to support individual progress and well-being whilst challenging potential. Beyond academic support provided by teachers, we also deliver a dedicated personal development programme which focuses on the initial transition to Sixth Form, further academic growth and post-18 guidance.

Succeed

When you arrive at Sixth Form, we treat you as the young adults that you are. This means working together to challenge your personal progress to achieve success. We ask you set high aspirations for your own academic attainment, take pride in your learning & personal development and are ambitious for your own future. To succeed we expect you to take ownership of your learning and therefore commit to fundamental expectations regarding attendance, punctuality, presentation, organisation, attitude and deadlines.

We recognise success in both academic terms and personal achievement, rewarding those making strides to exceed fundamental expectations or contribute positively to the Sixth Form and wider community. Opportunity to celebrate success is built into the Sixth Form calendar and the best part is, these events are decided by you, the students.

Facilities

Exclusive Facilities

Our Modern Sixth Form Centre provides an exclusive independent learning base for Sixth Form students during timetabled study periods or 'free' periods.

Our Sixth Form students are fortunate to have spacious quiet study areas that are equipped with ICT facilities, work stations and internet connectivity. Here you are able to complete directed tasks or to work on that all important assignment, revisit content from lessons or further develop your knowledge to master a topic.

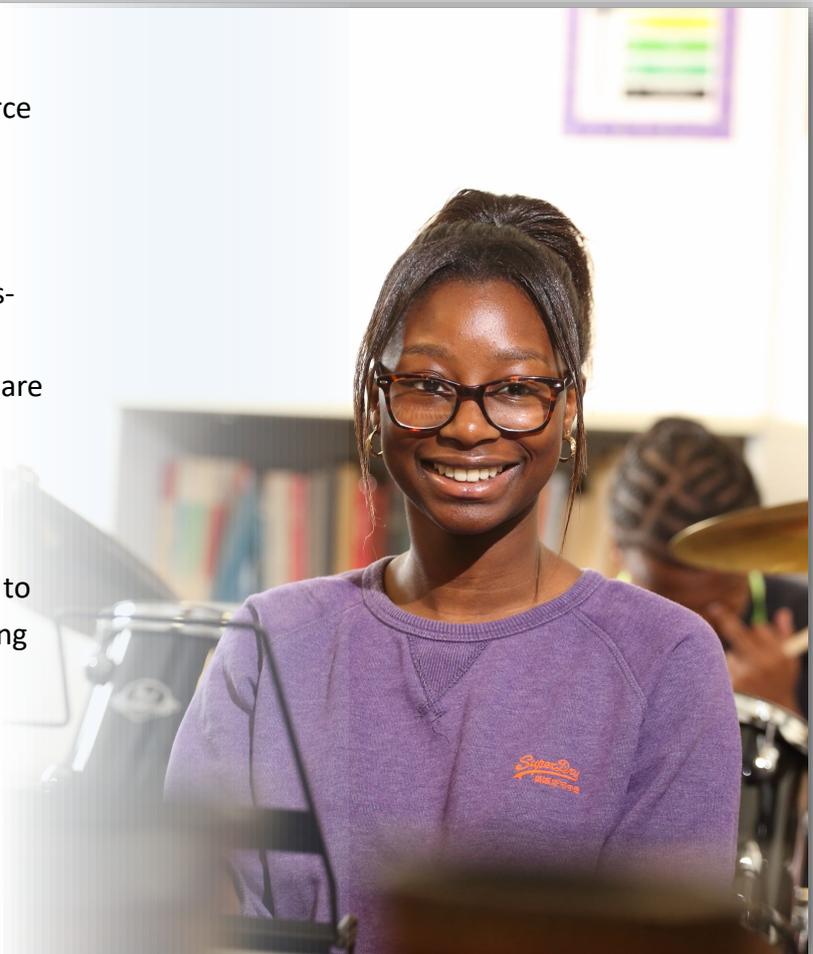
Some subjects such as Art, Photography, Sports and Music may require more dedicated time within their purpose built specialist faculty areas.

The Sixth Form Centre is also where the Sixth Form Progress Leader and Pastoral Manager are based so you have convenient access to student services and advice as well as pastoral care.

Learning Resource Centre

We offer a large spacious Learning Resource Centre (LRC) where students are able to borrow an extensive range of resources to support sixth form courses. These include textbooks, books for further reading, newspapers and magazines such as "Chemistry Review" and "Psychology Review", which are designed specifically to support students studying for A Levels.

The LRC is also available for you to study independently where you will have access to the internet and many online based learning resources through the LRC computers.



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“Teachers are real experts in their subject. Aspirations for all pupils, and all pupil groups, are particularly high.”
Ofsted 2023



“Sixth-form students are active leaders across the school, and many take on support roles with younger pupils. They have opportunities to undertake work experience and other work-related learning. “

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Life beyond the classroom

Our Sixth Form students are encouraged to develop their leadership skills and embed our School and Sixth Form community values. Leadership and ambassador roles enable opportunity to enrich skills desirable for higher education, employment and personal development. We have a wide range of leadership opportunities available:

- ◇ Student Leadership Group - Head Students are appointed to oversee a team comprising of lead students who develop Enrichment, Diversity, Fundraising and Community across the school and wider community. The SLG represent student views and ensure your Sixth Form is shaped to make experiences as meaningful and purposeful as possible.
- ◇ Student Ambassadors - We provide termly opportunities for Sixth Form to volunteer for roles within school initiatives or support programmes. Current ambassador roles include BAME, Literacy Assistant, Numeracy Assistant, Mental Health Support, Sports Technician and Peer Mentoring. Organising fundraising for charitable events throughout the year.

In addition to our wide and varied curriculum offer there are plenty of extra curriculum opportunities outside of the classroom, from competing at PE events, joining the Eco-club. being involved with Solar Panel car project, or signing up to the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. These activities prove successful and valuable elements in job and UCAS applications.

Throughout the year you will attend dedicated RSHE days. These sessions vary enormously and include outside speakers and visitors covering a wide range of topics including futures planning, sexual health, social media and employment opportunities.

There are a range of trips and visits, some connected to the curriculum and others aimed at broadening students' experiences, these include university trips, trips to London and a visit to a Higher Education Fair .



Sixth Form Life

Bursary 16-19

Ifield Community College administers the bursary fund to support students who are aged between 16 and 19 years old and who experience financial difficulties or have a low household income. Eligible students could receive a half-termly allowance which can then be used to buy any materials/equipment for their course.

Sixth Form Dress Code

The Sixth Form Dress Code was recently reviewed! We are excited to share that the students created the dress code that we now have. They participated in surveys, gave opinions and discussed in meetings to come up with this new refreshed Dress Code. Students put together a proposal to take to our Senior Leadership Team and this passed. We are really pleased with the leadership roles taken on to create this.

The aim of the Dress Code is to empower students to explore smart dress wear that reflects who they as individuals whilst looking and feeling confident and professional. We want students to feel that their individual personalities can be expressed in what they wear, whilst maintaining professionalism and confidence.



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“Sixth-form students are incredibly positive about their experiences. They feel supported and encouraged by their teachers, as well as their peers.”
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Teaching

We are proud of our dedicated strong Sixth Form teaching team who have extensive experience of the 16-19 study programmes and are passionate about the subjects they teach.

Students are encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning and progress, helping them to achieve their ongoing development of independent study.

Students are regularly monitored and evaluated to ensure they receive the required support needed, enabling them to make good progress.

Student assessments, targets and grades are tracked on Go4Schools, our online system, allowing us to keep parents regularly informed of progress.



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Careers and Higher Education

Moving on to Sixth Form is an exciting and challenging time.

Our highly experienced Sixth Form team are on hand to help you with careers advice or information and to give guidance on completing your CVs , personal statements, apprenticeship applications or university forms.

During the year you will have the opportunity to visit universities, attend UCAS Higher Education Conventions, National Apprenticeship Fair, Careers Days, STEM events and talk to guest speakers.

Located in the LRC is a dedicated 'Futures Zone' with a variety of university prospectuses and Information on apprenticeships, careers and upcoming open events .

The Sixth Form is a crucial stage in the portfolio of achievement, interests and skills which enable you to adapt to the challenges of a changing world.



“ The sixth-form curriculum is strongly focused on students’ future aspirations. The sixth-form curriculum supports students effectively to successfully pursue university placements of their choice. ”

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Courses & Qualifications

Courses

The focus of our curriculum offer is A-Level and Level 3 courses, of which we offer an exceptional range.

The level 3 programme studied in Sixth Form requires students to meet the general entry requirements of five GCSE's at grade 4 or above.

GCSE grades are extremely important, since national surveys show there is a pattern between the GCSE grades and the results students achieve on A Level and Level 3 courses. Subject specific entry requirements give you an indication of suitable courses. Grade 6 or above may be required in some of our A Level Science and Maths courses. Please see individual subject listings for grade requirements.

Students with **five GCSE passes at Grade 4 or above** are eligible for the Level 3 Programme, consisting of:

- ◇ A Levels
- ◇ Level 3 qualifications (BTEC National, OCR Technical, WJEC Diploma or RSL Diploma)

Students study a minimum of three A levels or Level 3 subjects. If a grade 4 or above has not been achieved in GCSE Mathematics and/or GCSE English, students must include these in addition to their level 3 choices.

Level 3 Programme

We offer a wide range of Level 3 courses, with A Level and Level 3 qualifications on offer. Most students choose three options but there is the opportunity to begin four courses and reduce to three within the first term.

The Level 3 Programme runs for two years. The qualifications gained are most commonly used to access university places or apprenticeship schemes.

Each Level 3 course carries a points tariff. The number of points attained depends on results at the end of the course. When applying for a degree, each individual university will say how many points or grades they require for you to take a course. You will receive expert guided advice on your best options for your future pathway, whether that is a higher education or an apprenticeship.

It is important that when making decisions about your sixth form courses, you consider:

- ◇ Your interest in the subject,
- ◇ The entry requirement of the courses and pathways you may take,
- ◇ The university or further study you are considering, to ensure you are selecting the best subjects for progression.

In making these decisions you should seek the advice and guidance from your parents/carers, Progress Leader, Progress Mentor and the Careers, Options and Pathway co-ordinator.

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How to Apply

Ifield Community College Students

Complete the online application form with your first choices by the end of the autumn term. The Sixth Form team and your mentors will be available to offer any advice you may need.

In January, you will receive confirmation of your application to the Sixth Form. You will be invited to attend an interview with one of the Sixth Form Team to ensure your courses match your plans for the future and to discuss your mock exam results.

Following interview, you will receive an email in the spring term which notifies you of our decision to offer a conditional place, listing any changes made during your interview and stating your application is dependent on your GCSE results. Please accept or decline this offer by the end of the Easter break.

You will be invited to a course confirmation interview in the summer term where we will confirm your course choices and provide details/documentation for starting in September 2024.

Finally, you will be enrolled to ICC in September 2024 following confirmation of your GCSE results.

External Students New to the College

Students wishing to apply for a place in at Ifield Community College are advised to attend our Open Evening. This will give you the opportunity to speak to our teachers and meet the Sixth Form team. If you would like a tour during the school day then contact us via the contact details on our school website.

Your completed online application form will need to be submitted to the school by the closing date shown on the 'Sixth Form Application' area of the school website. Following the receipt of your application, you will be invited to an interview. After the process, you will receive an email notifying you of our decision.

Late Applications

We will continue to consider late applications throughout the spring and summer term. Once the College has offered all available places, applicants will only be contacted for interview as full-time places become available.

Disclaimer

There may be times when courses cannot be offered, either because of staffing or student numbers. Therefore, Ifield Community College reserves the right to change or cancel any courses listed in this prospectus.



Contents - A Level & Level 3 Courses

Subject	Qualification
Accounting	A Level
Applied Law	BTEC Level 3
Applied Science	BTEC Level 3
Biology	A Level
Business	BTEC Level 3
Chemistry	A Level
Computer Science	A Level
Criminology	WJEC Level 3 Applied Diploma
Creative & Performing Arts	RSL Level 3 Diploma
Design & Technology: Product Design	A Level
Economics (B)	A Level
English Language	A Level
English Literature	A Level
Fashion & Textiles	A Level
Fine Art	A Level
French	A Level
Further Mathematics	A Level
Geography	A Level
Health & Social Care	Cambridge Technical Level 3 Extended Certificate
History	A Level
Mathematics	A Level
Media Studies	A Level
Music Practitioners	RSL Level 3 Diploma
Philosophy	A Level
Photography	A Level
Physics	A Level
Psychology	A Level
Sociology	A Level
Spanish	A Level
Sport & Physical Activity	Cambridge Technical Level 3 Diploma
Travel & Tourism	BTEC Level 3

To view 6th Form curriculum course overviews and entry requirements, please [click here](#).



“Pupils are actively supported to enrol on such courses where appropriate and are well informed about subject choices. The sixth-form curriculum is strongly focused on students’ future aspirations.”

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Where to find us

By car:

Ifield Community College is situated just off Crawley Avenue (A23) between The roundabout at Ifield Avenue and the traffic lights into Gossops Green

Bus route:

3, 200 The 200 service operates between Ifield and Horsham

By train:

Ifield Station is approximately a 5 minute walk



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