

# 16 – 19 Programmes of Study

## Key points

- At Idsall School education for 16 to 19 year olds is delivered as a study programme which combines qualifications and other activities, and which is tailored to each student's prior attainment and career goals
- Every study programme has a core aim. For the majority of students, this will be either the study of substantial technical, applied or academic qualification(s).
- Young people joining Idsall Sixth Form, who do not hold a GCSE grade 4 (reformed grading) or grade C (legacy grading) in maths and/or English are required to continue these subjects as part of their study programme
- All study programmes also include work experience and non-qualification activities, which aim to complement the other elements of the programme and support the student to progress to further or higher education or to employment.

## Study programme principles

At Idsall School all 16 to 19 study programmes are designed to provide students with a structured and challenging learning programme that supports their development and progression in line with their career plans. The study programme principles apply equally to learners with SEND. Study programmes are individually tailored but will typically combine the elements below:

- i) substantial academic, applied or vocational **qualifications** that stretch students and prepare them for education at the next level or to employment
- ii) **English and maths** where students have not yet achieved a GCSE grade 4 (reformed grading) or grade C (legacy grading)
- iii) **work experience** to give young people the opportunity to develop their career choices and to apply their skills in real working conditions
- iv) other **non-qualification activity** to develop students' character, skills, attitudes and confidence, and to support progression such as tutorials, work experience and personal or study skills.

## Planned hours

Each study programme will consist of a number of planned hours; ie hours that have been timetabled and are supervised.

Study programmes are designed to be full-time (600 planned hours) to allow sufficient time to deliver the principles above.

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Y12 Academic study programme	Planned hours*		Core aim?
	Qualification hours	Non-qual hours	
A level 1	180 (4.5hr/wk)		Core aim
A level 2	180 (4.5hr/wk)		
A level 3	180 (4.5hr/wk)		
Study hours (timetabled)		60 (3 x 0.5hr/wk)	
Tutorial and PSHE		70	
Work experience (5 days)		25	
<b>Total</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>155</b>	

\*Planned hours are based on a 40 week year

Y13 Academic study programme	Planned hours*		Core aim?
	Qualification hours	Non-qual hours	
A level 1	200 (5hr/wk)		Core aim
A level 2	200 (5hr/wk)		
A level 3	200 (5hr/wk)		
Tutorial and PSHE		70	
<b>Total</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>70</b>	

### Vocational / A level - mixed programmes of study

Qualification hours for vocational subjects (eg. BTEC Level 3) have the same hours as for an A-level above.

### Level 2 / 3 vocational study programme

Level 2 / 3 vocational study programme	Planned hours*		Core aim?
	Qualification hours	Non-qual hours	
Level 2 / 3 qualification	485* (11.5hr/wk)		Core aim
English GCSE	80 (2hr/wk)		
Maths GCSE	80 (2hr/wk)		
Tutorial		30	
<b>Total</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>30</b>	

\* Students have an additional 25hrs of study over a 5 day period in the Summer2 term.

If a student has achieved grade 4 in Maths and English GCSE, they will study for their Level 2 / 3 qualification for 12.5 hours / week. **Total Qualification hours would then be 525hrs**