Welcome to Cambourne Village College

Year 11 Post-16 Information Evening

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How can I ensure a successful transition to Post-16?

- Take your time in making your decision. Ask questions and discuss your options.
- Carefully research Post-16 providers and the courses on offer.
- Gather as much information as possible through prospectuses, open evenings and admissions policies.
- Students must apply for a minimum of 2 providers. Don't just look at one Post-16 provider. There is no maximum.
- Don't choose a course just because your friend is doing it.
- Do be aware of the grades you will need both to get an offer and to be able to take up an offer.
- Ensure you have the best possible chance of GCSE success by working hard and being prepared.

Key Dates for You

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End September 2025	Tutor time: Brief introduction to MyChoice@16 online application process You will receive your login details to Mychoice16		
PSHE: Sept and Oct 2025	Writing a personal statement and beginning to populate the details on MyCHoice@16 platform.		
Oct-Nov	Mychoice16 – continuing with your profile, exploring and applying for courses College and Sixth Form open days and evenings across the county		
24 th October	DEADLINE: Personal statements due in for review by PSHE teachers. These w be added to MyChoice16 Profile once feedback has been received.		
3 rd -14 th November	Year 11 mock exams (2 nd)		
4 th December	Forecast grades reported home & Year 11 Parents' Evening (4-7pm)		
Mid December	1:1 Guidance meetings with tutors Adjust personal statements in the light of teacher advice		
By Friday 19 th December	Online MyChoice@16 applications completed and submitted (internal submission/deadline); references added by tutors		
By Friday 9th Jan 2026	Post 16 application CAP deadline (final deadline)		
Jan-March 2026	Interviews with providers		
2 nd & 3 rd Feb and March	English, Maths and Science Mocks		
7 th May 2026	Written GCSE Exams start		
August 20 th , 2026	GCSE results and acceptance of placement		
	CAMPO		

Post-16 choices considerations

- Post-16 choices involves everyone due to Government legislation that requires young people to continue in education or training until at least their 18th birthday.
- Options:
 - Full time education, such as school or college.
 - An apprenticeship or other work-based learning.
 - Part time education or training if they are employed, selfemployed or volunteering for more than 20 hours a week.

Post-16 Choices - Options on offer

	Academic Mostly exams	Applied Some coursework	Technical Vocational Mainly coursework based	T Levels Some coursework, industry placement	Apprenticeship Traineeship Supported Internship Employment/ training
Level 3	A levels IB.	BTEC/OCR L3	NVQ/C&G L3	T Level	Advanced apprenticeship
Level 2	GCSEs (Grades 4-9)	BTEC/OCR L2	NVQ/C&G L2	T Level (Foundation Year)	Intermediate apprenticeship and traineeship
Level 1	GCSEs (Grades 1-3)	BTEC/OCR L1	NVQ/C&G L1		Traineeship and pre-employment schemes

The applications process

- All applications to Cambridgeshire institutions will be online via
 MyChoice@16 Web based process done in PSHE, tutor time and at home.
- Use www.mychoice16.co.uk to research courses and institutions
- Pupils each have an account; they will be sent their log-in details
 over the next couple of weeks. There is no parent access but please
 do help.
- References and projected grades are provided by the school.
- Students must list their order of preference on their application
- School deadline for completed applications:

Friday 19th December 2025



Your grades for the application

- We will complete your grade requirements:
 - Pupils' PROJECTED grades are what teachers think, at that moment, that they are likely to get.
 - Pupils' TARGET grades are aspirational.
- Aim high but be realistic about your projected grades. Ensure you have a back up!





Post-16 choices Things to consider

Maths and English are important!

- •Many course offers are subject to pupils getting a particular grade in English or Maths read the information carefully
- •Students who achieve a grade 3 or below in English and/or maths will need to retake these subjects





The applications process Offers

- Post-16 centres may have different entry criteria for the courses offered.
- Post-16 centres will make their own decisions about which students they have guidance meetings with and when these meetings will be confirmed with pupils.
- Each centre will process paperwork in different ways and at different timescales – all offers will be out by
 Easter 2026.

The applications process Response to offers

- Students may hold more than one offer at different centres until results
 are published in August, but not more than one type of course at any
 one centre.
- Guidance will be provided by the centres about how to confirm offers
 in August, but students are strongly advised to be available on results
 day to collect results and respond to offers made.
- Enrolment days take place straight after Results Day.
 Don't be on holiday or else you may miss out!



Post-16 choices Where can I study?

CAP

A Levels	IB Careers Programme	Applied courses	Technical Vocational courses
Bishop Laney Sixth Form Cambridge Academy for Science & Technology Cambridge Maths	Impington International Sixth Form	Cambridge Regional College Bishop Laney Sixth Form College of West Anglia (Cambridge) Long Road Sixth Form College Cambourne Sixth Form Comberton Sixth Form Northstowe Sixth Form The Oakes College	Cambridge Regional College College of West Anglia (Cambridge)
School Cambourne Sixth Form Comberton Sixth Form Chesterton Sixth Form Hills Road Sixth Form College Long Road Sixth Form College Northstowe Sixth form The Oakes College	IB Diploma Programme		T Levels
	Impington International Sixth Form		Cambridge Academy for Science & Technology Cambridge Regional College





Cambourne Village College Post-16 <u>Evening</u>

CAMBOURNE SIXTH FORM

Ground Floo

Sixth Form Lecture Theatre:

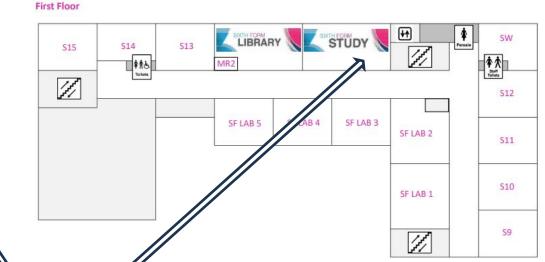
Cambourne Sixth Form
Comberton Sixth Form
Cambridge Academy of Science and
Technology (CAST)
Hills Road Sixth Form College
Chesterton Sixth Form
Impington International College
The Oakes College
Cambridge Maths School (CMS)
Long Road Sixth Form College
Cambridge Regional College (CRC)
College of West Anglia (CWA)

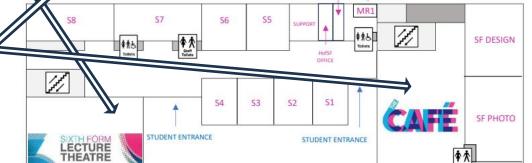
The Café:

Anglia Ruskin University University of Hertfordshire

Independent Study:

DC Norris Marshall Form the Future





ENTRANCE/RECEPTION

KITCHEN

130

STUDENT ENTRANCE

SF ART

RECEPTION