



Information Evening

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Our aims



Beaumont, Sandringham and Verulam Schools believe that, by working together in a Trust, we are able to provide a **broader education**, make a greater **contribution to our community** and provide more **opportunities** for staff and students to reach their **potential** than would be the case in an individual school.

Our commitment



- Every 16-19 student across our three schools has equal access to high-quality learning enabling them to progress successfully to the next stage of education or employment.
- There is consistency in the delivery of high quality teaching and learning, guidance and support.
- There is a robust and rigorous assessment and reporting system for tracking student progress.
- We continue to develop and offer a broad, relevant and challenging curriculum.
- We are proactive in pursuing, developing and leading innovative practice in collaboration.

BSV success



- Last year 390 BSV students went on to study at university or successfully apply for an apprenticeship
- Destinations included Oxford, Cambridge and other top universities
- **77%** of all grades were A*, A or B
- BSV results are consistently amongst the best in Hertfordshire



Why join BSV?

- Three high quality learning environments
- High academic standards & challenge
- Exceptional range of courses
- High quality teaching and learning
- Opportunities for independent learning
- Opportunities beyond the classroom
- Opportunities to develop skills for university and life
- Outstanding support during the UCAS, apprenticeship and work application process.

BSV



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What to expect

- First class facilities
- Broad and varied curriculum offer
- Common application procedures
- Common calendar
- Sixth Form induction
- Pastoral care
- Transport between schools



What next?



Key questions to consider

1. What are you passionate about? What **really** interests you?
2. Which subjects do you most enjoy?
3. Which subjects are you good at?
4. What career do you want to pursue?
5. What subjects are on offer?

What could help you answer these questions?

- Remember that GCSE trial examinations are an important step and will give you an insight into what you're good at.
- Remember that making choices post 16 is a difficult decision and one that takes time.
- You are choosing your options for the next 2 years.

Being informed



The Russell Group of universities has created a website (*Informed Choices*) containing guidance on Sixth Form subject choices which relate to potential future applications to their member universities.



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

Entry Criteria



- Students will need an **average** of **grade 4** to join BSV sixth form.
- Each student will calculate their own average points score (APS) based on all their GCSE results.
- The APS determines a student's **pathway** and the subjects they can choose.
- Trial exam grades are used for making offers and guidance discussion meetings help with choosing the right pathway.

Pathway 1



APS 4 – 4.9

- Students should choose the equivalent of three subjects of which **at least one is a vocational qualification** e.g. a BTEC or a CTEC qualification.
- A Level subjects generally require a **6** in the subject at GCSE. Maths requires a **7** at GCSE.

Pathway 2



APS 5 – 5.9

- Students can choose **three A Level** qualifications excluding biology, chemistry and physics.
- A Level subjects generally require a **6** in the subject at GCSE. Maths requires a **7** at GCSE.

Pathway 3



APS 6+

- Students can choose **any three A Level** qualifications. They may also choose a fourth subject.
- A Level subjects generally require a **6** in the subject at GCSE. Maths requires a **7** at GCSE.

College pathways



APS less than 4

- If students achieve an APS of less than 4, we recommend they visit local colleges who offer a wide range of vocational courses.

Our courses

Fine Art
Photography
Textiles
English Language
English Literature
Computer Science
Maths
Further Maths
Economics
Economics & Business
Geography
History
Philosophy & Ethics
Sociology
Law
Government & Politics
Psychology

Product Design
Media
Dance
Drama
Applied ICT
PE
Music
Music Technology
Biology
Physics
Chemistry
French
German
Spanish



CTEC /BTEC Sport
BTEC Business
BTEC Creative Digital
Media Production

ENRICHMENT:

EPQ
Financial Studies
Young Enterprise
Duke of Edinburgh
Engaging Minds
Sport

Calendar



Date	Event
November - December	BSV Education Trust information evening GCSE trial examinations
January	Parent Consultation Evenings Into the Sixth Evenings
Jan - Feb	Guidance discussion meetings
February 4 th	Deadline for applications
March - April	Provisional offer
May	GCSE exams begin
June 23 rd & 24 th	Sixth Form Induction days including taster lessons
August	Results published and course confirmation
September	Enrolment



Into the Sixth Information Evenings

Sandringham

Tuesday 11th Jan

Verulam

Thursday 13th Jan

Beaumont

Tuesday 18th Jan