



WESTWOOD COLLEGE AND LEEK HIGH SCHOOL

Combined Offer for Post-16 Education



The Talentum Learning Trust
ASPIRATION, COMPASSION, INTEGRITY



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Welcome to the Westwood College and Leek High School Post-16 Combined Offer

We are proud to introduce the Combined Post-16 provision at Leek High School and Westwood College. By working in partnership, we bring together the strengths of two schools to create an ambitious, supportive, and inclusive Post-16 learning community.

Our aim: To ensure that every student achieves their full potential and leaves us fully prepared for the next stage of their life.

Whether that is university, further training, an apprenticeship, or employment - we provide the opportunities, guidance, and encouragement to help all of our young people succeed.

We pride ourselves on the breadth of opportunities available to our students and the outstanding quality of our pastoral care. Our supportive environment helps students thrive and achieve their goals. What makes our Sixth Form unique is that we offer the best of both worlds: a large enough school-based Sixth Form to provide a wide range of courses, yet small enough to ensure every student receives personalised support and attention.



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Entrance Requirements

We offer courses to suit all ability levels. What matters most is that students choose subjects aligned with their strengths and future aspirations. Most academic and vocational courses require a minimum of five GCSE passes (or equivalent), including English and Maths. However, we consider applicants with lower grades in certain circumstances.

Students who haven't achieved a grade 4 or above in English and/or Maths can access resit classes. Some courses have specific subject grade requirements; details are available in our 'Course Guide'.

Individual circumstances may be taken into account if entry requirements have not been met. However, these may need to be evidenced and are at the discretion of the Head of School.

If you have any concerns about meeting entry requirements, please contact us to explore your options.





Our Courses 2027-2028

A Level Offer

Art	English Literature	Maths	Physics
Biology	French	Further Maths	Psychology
Chemistry	Geography	Media	Sociology
Design	German	PE	
Drama	History	Photography	
English Language	Maths (Core)	Spanish	

The Vocational Offer

Subject (Extended Certificates or Diplomas)	A-Level Equivalent	
	Extended Certificate	Diploma
BTEC Business	1	NA
BTEC Health & Social Care	NA	2
BTEC Sport	1	2
Level 3 AAQ Food Science & Nutrition	1	NA

We also offer GCSE English and Maths Resits.

We reserve the right to withdraw a course if there are insufficient numbers.





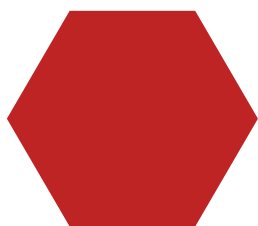
Sixth Form Life

Life in Sixth Form is about more than just courses and exams: it's about becoming the person you want to be. Opportunities range from international trips, Duke of Edinburgh Gold expeditions, Biology residentials in Anglesey, and coastal Geography coursework.

Students can take leadership roles in the Students' Union, organise charity events and the Year 13 Prom, and make decisions about Sixth Form facilities. Volunteering allows students to support younger peers while developing valuable skills.

Our 'Inspire Café' programme features masterclasses and presentations from university professors, offering super-curricular content that enhances learning and strengthens UCAS applications. Students attend Careers Fairs, University Open Days, and benefit from partnerships with institutions such as the University of Oxford through the 'Step-Up Programme' - a scheme designed to raise aspirations in comprehensive schools like ours.

All students also engage in a comprehensive PSHE programme covering topics such as safe driving, mental health, sexual health, and other key issues. To ensure equal access to enrichment activities, students from lower-income families are encouraged to apply for support through the Sixth Form Bursary.





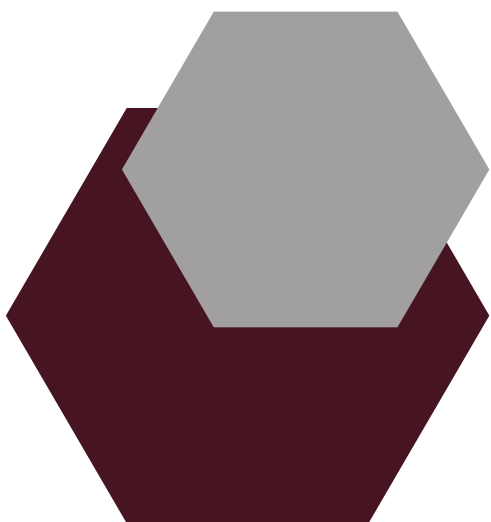
Personalised Support

Whether applying for university, apprenticeships, or employment, students receive expert guidance every step of the way.

Each student is assigned a tutor with extensive experience in supporting successful applications.

Our UCAS support is exceptional, with a dedicated team helping students secure offers and confirmed places.

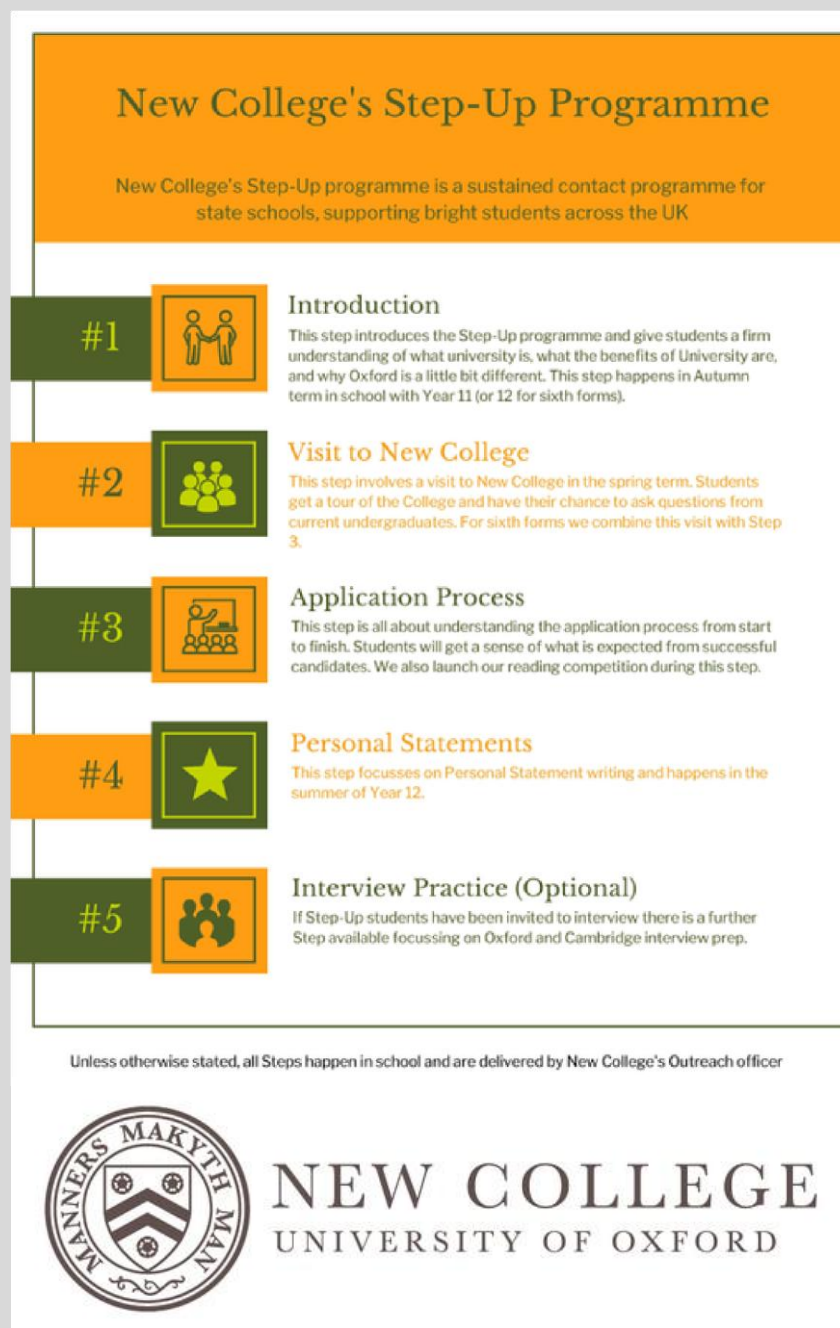
For those pursuing employment or training, our Careers Lead, based in the Sixth Form Centre, provides ongoing support, including planning for work experience and delivering an Employability Skills course covering CV writing and personal development.



Step-Up Programme

As part of the 'Step-Up Programme', we work closely with New College, Oxford to support students aiming for top universities. This includes visits to Oxford, subject seminars, workshops, and networking with current students.

A key aim of the programme is to break down stereotypes and demystify the application process for Oxford and Cambridge.



Destinations

Our students go on to study a wide range of subjects - from Acting to Zoology - at universities across the UK and beyond.

A quarter of recent alumni progressed to Russell Group universities.

Notable destinations include:

- **Oxford** – History and Politics
- **Newcastle** – Medicine
- **Durham** – Earth Sciences
- **Warwick** – Mathematics
- **Bangor** – Marine Biology and Zoology
- **Queen's Belfast** – Politics, Philosophy & Economics
- **Leeds** – French and Russian
- **York** – Chemistry
- **Nottingham** – Biology
- **Bristol** – Computer Science and Electronics
- **Manchester** – History
- **Monmouth, USA** – Business

Vocational successes include:

- **Keele** – Physiotherapy, Adult Nursing
- **York St. John** – Media Production
- **Birmingham City** – Landscape Architecture
- **East Anglia** – Fine Art
- **Leeds College of Music** – Music
- **Newcastle** – Sport and Exercise Science
- **LIPA** – Applied Theatre and Community Drama
- **Staffordshire** – Events Management
- **Derby** – Sport Therapy and Rehabilitation
- **Manchester** – Speech and Language Therapy

We also have a strong record of supporting students into apprenticeships and employment, with a careers programme that helps students explore all available pathways.

Choosing the Right Course

Selecting the right course can feel overwhelming. Alongside your current attainment, consider which subjects you enjoy and how they align with your career interests.



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Application Timeline



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Vision and Values at Talentum Learning Trust

Our Mission: To support and enable all our learners to believe in themselves, succeed in life, and aspire to be all that they can be.

At Talentum Learning Trust, we are committed to empowering our students with the confidence, skills, and knowledge they need to succeed. We believe in nurturing each individual's unique talents and helping them to achieve their personal and academic goals.

Our Vision: Building together, Excellence in standards, Strength through collaboration, A place where everyone flourishes.

Our vision is to create a community where excellence is the standard, collaboration is the norm, and every individual can flourish.

We strive to build strong partnerships within our schools and with the wider community, working together to provide the best possible education for our students.

Our Values: Our core values are the foundation of our Trust. They guide our actions, decisions, and interactions, ensuring that we remain true to our mission and vision.

- **Aspiration:** We encourage our students to aim high and pursue their dreams with determination and resilience.
- **Compassion:** We foster a caring and supportive environment where everyone is valued and respected.
- **Integrity:** We uphold the highest standards of honesty, fairness, and ethical behaviour in all that we do.
- **Excellence for All:** We are committed to providing high-quality education and opportunities for every student, regardless of their background or abilities



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