

CHOICE OF OPTIONS FOR S6-S7 2024-2026



CLASS:

STUDENT:

TUTOR:

COURSES IN S5 – 2023-2024

Mathematics:

Language 2:

Language 4:

Art:

Language 1:

Language 3:

Economics:

Music:

COMPULSORY SUBJECTS				4 PERIOD OPTIONS <small>MINIMUM 2 OPTIONS MAXIMUM 4 OPTIONS</small>				ADVANCED COURSES <small>3 PERIODS</small>				COMPLEMENTARY COURSES <small>2 PERIODS</small>					
COLUMN 1		COLUMN 2 (2 PERIODS)		COLUMN 3				COLUMN 4				COLUMN 5					
Language 1 (...)	4p	History		Biology				L1 Advanced OR				Art					
Language 2 (...)	3p	Geography		Chemistry				L2 Advanced OR				Music					
Mathematics (3p OR 5p)		Philosophy		Physics				Maths Advanced				Political Sciences					
Physical Education	2p	STS		Art				Maths Advanced only if Maths 5p is chosen in column 1.				Intro. Economics					
Life and society	1p	<i>History, Geography and Philosophy compulsory if not chosen in column 3. STS compulsory, except if Biology 4 or Chemistry 4 or Physics 4 is chosen in column 3.</i>		Music									L5				
				History										Sport			
				Geography										Theatre Studies			
				Philosophy										Lab Biology OR			
				Language 3										Lab Chemistry OR			
				Economics										Lab Physics			
				Language 4										Sociology			
				<i>For L3 and L4 specify language chosen</i>										ICT			
												Classical Studies					
												Sustainability and Active Citizenship					
<i>Number of periods Column 1:</i>		<i>Number of periods Column 2:</i>		<i>Number of periods in Column 3:</i>				<i>Number of periods in Column 4:</i>				<i>Number of periods in Column 5:</i>					
Total number of periods columns 1-4										TOTAL NUMBER OF PERIODS							
<i>Minimum 29 periods</i>										MIN. 31 PERIODS							
<i>Minimum 29 periods</i>										MAX. 35 PERIODS							

ARTICLE 4 — CONTENT, LEVEL, LANGUAGE OF EXAMINATIONS AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS FOR THE EUROPEAN BACCALAUREATE

4.1 Content of Examinations

The examinations will normally cover the year S7 syllabus, but will also assess the knowledge, skills and attitudes acquired in previous years, especially in year S6.

4.2 Language and Level

The examination (written and oral) in each individual subject must be taken in the language and at the level followed in years S6 and S7.

4.2.1 Exceptions:

4.2.1.1 If a course is taught in more than one language in a class, candidates may choose to sit the examination in any one of the languages used. This will be clearly indicated in the registration form (annex I). The Schools will introduce it into the School Management System (by 20TH October at the latest). Once the choice of language is introduced, it will not be changed.

4.2.1.2 Between S6 and S7, only the following changes of level are possible:

MATHEMATICS 5 ↔ MATHEMATICS 3

4-PERIOD OPTION ↔ COMPULSORY 2-PERIOD COURSE (SAME SUBJECT)

A change to a more advanced course (Mathematics 5, 4-period option) is conditional upon the passing of an attainment test demonstrating the pupil's ability to keep up successfully with the requirements of the course requested.

4.2.1.3 Requests for changes, in respect of both language (article 4.2.1.1) and level (article 4.2.1.2), submitted at the end of S6 must be also accompanied by the Class Council's opinion. They will be examined by the Director, who will decide.

4.2.1.4 Pupils following a subject in S7 in a different language from the one they followed it in S6, due to a change of school between year S6 and S7 or staffing imperatives, will take their examinations in the language they are taught in S7. However, upon request, the Director may

allow a pupil to take an examination in the language the subject was followed in S6. In this case, internal assessment cannot be assured by either the S6 in the previous school or the current S7 teacher and a second external examiner may be appointed by the Director of the School in consultation with the Inspector responsible for the subject and the European Baccalaureate Unit. In both cases, the provisions in 6.4.6.8 will apply.

4.2.1.5 All changes must comply with the administrative provisions in force.

4.3 Other Restrictions

4.3.1 The substitution of one option for another is not permitted.

4.3.2 Number of periods

THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF PERIODS IS 31, OUT OF WHICH AT LEAST 29 MUST BE FROM COMPULSORY SUBJECTS AND THE POSSIBLE OPTIONS. THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PERIODS IS 35.

While schools should continue to organize their timetables on the basis of a national maximum of 35 periods per week per pupil, nevertheless, as an exception, pupils are allowed, with the approval of the directorate, to have more than 35 periods per week if they wish to attend other existing courses which can be combined with their personal timetable.

Dropping an option, advanced course or complementary subject between year S6 and S7 is possible, provided that there is compliance with the administrative provisions, more particularly the minimum number of periods required, i.e., 31 (minimum 29 periods of compulsory subjects, options and advanced courses + minimum 2 periods complementary subject).

If, after choosing at least two options for their timetable, candidates have reached 31 periods, they are not obliged to take any complementary courses

4.3.3 ADDING A NEW OPTION, ADVANCED COURSE OR COMPLEMENTARY SUBJECT IN YEAR S7 IS NOT ALLOWED.

Important Dates to Be Respected Concerning Choices for Years 6 and 7

June 3rd 2024

Deadline for requests to change options for S5 students going into S6/7.

September 13th 2024

Deadline for requesting a change of choices for S6 following final S5 reports.

June 13th 2025

Deadline for requesting changes going into S7.

A positive response is not guaranteed for any requested changes. No request will be accepted in September unless the Class Council has recommended it.

I confirm that I have read the above information and I understand that the subject choices are binding for both S6 and S7 subject to Article 4.

Parent's signature:

Student's signature:

Date:

To be returned to class tutor by FRIDAY 26th JANUARY 2024.