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Ninestiles Career

Allowing students to understand a range of learning opportunities that are available to them. Including both academic and vocational routes

Know what you need for the course you want

Grammar Schools	7+ GCSE's grade 7 or above, including English or Maths
A Levels	5+ GCSE's grade 5 or above, including English or Maths
BTEC Level 3	5+ GCSE's grade 4 or above, including English or Maths
BTEC Level 2	4 GCSE's grade 2/3 or above
BTEC Level 1	No formal qualifications
Apprenticeship Level 3	5+ GCSE's grade 5 or above, including English or Maths
Apprenticeship Level 2	4 GCSE's grade 4, including English or Maths
T Levels	5+ GCSE's grade 5 or above, including English or Maths
Traineeship	No formal qualifications

* IMPORTANT *

PPE grades are a key point in your planning and journey ahead

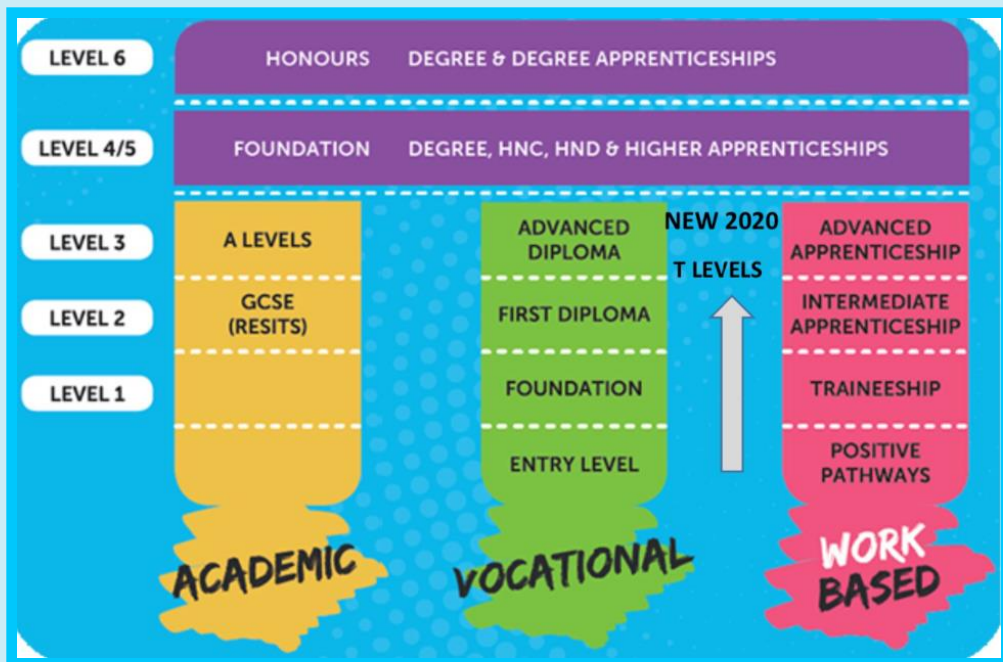
Sixth Forms, Colleges or Apprenticeships may ask for specific grades at GCSE for you to study further. Please ensure you read the 'entry requirements' before applying.

Providers will base conditional offers on PPE and predicted grades. A 'conditional offer' is subject to you getting the grades required. Do not assume if you receive a conditional offer you have secured a place .

Your GCSE grades will stay with you for the rest of your working life. You will need to disclose your GCSE grades on every future college, university and job applications. Make them the best they can be.

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Understanding different levels



A Levels are linear 2 year courses. This means you need to study for the full 2 years, then pass all the examinations to get the qualification. A Levels are advantageous for university.

BTEC (Business & Technology Education Council) is a vocational qualification, organised and awarded by Edexcel (Level 3 is equivalent to A Levels).

T Levels (brand new for 2020) will consist of technical knowledge and practical skills in a specific industry. Each T Level will have 1800 hours over 2 years including a placement of at least 45 days (vocational and work based).

Apprenticeship is a job with training. Being an apprentice means that you have a job that includes gaining recognised qualifications and essential skills whilst you are working and earning wages.

Labour market information

It's good to know what job sectors are growing in the West Midlands.
See below which job sectors are on the rise.

