



External Examinations Policy

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At Silverdale School we believe that every pupil must get the very best education to enable them to have the future they deserve. We believe that it is our responsibility to prepare students for life beyond Silverdale, and therefore that enabling them to access a broad and balanced range of qualifications at GCSE level is crucial.

We expect all students to achieve externally awarded, nationally recognised accreditation.

As well as considering the breadth of externally assessed courses offered to students, close attention is paid to the suitability of the course according to the nature of need of our students both in personal and academic terms.

The main criteria for developing the curriculum in terms of external qualifications are:

- A continuing expansion in the range of externally accredited courses taught;
- Accredited courses suited to the whole ability range;
- Courses which increase opportunities for our students post 16;
- The raising of achievement in terms of the number of qualifications achieved by individual students; and
- The raising of attainment in terms of the grades achieved related to the number of entries made in school and to national statistics.

Key Stage 4 External Accreditation Portfolio

CORE GCSE CURRICULUM

1. English Language
2. English Literature
3. Maths
4. Science (BTEC)
5. ICT
6. Art and Design
7. Photography
8. Graphic Design
9. Film Studies
10. Preparation for Working Life

OPTIONAL GCSE

- Food and Nutrition
- PE

CAMBRIDGE PROGRESSION AWARDS

- Maths Entry Level, Level 1, Level 2
- English Entry Level, Level 1, Level 2

Related policies:

- Curriculum (SILVP0021);
- Assessment, Recording & Reporting (SILVP0008);