Welcome to A Level Physical Education

A LEVEL PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- What makes a suitable candidate?
- > What degree courses could be helped by this subject?
- What will you study?

EXPECTATIONS

The AQA syllabus is followed and continues work done at GCSE with the same board.

Pupils will be expected to have attained at least a 9-6 grade at GCSE PE.

All pupils should be participating weekly at a good level as performer or coach at the College or outside school in at least 1 sport.

WHY PE/SPORTS STUDIES?

- > Sports science
- > Physiotherapy
- > Teaching
- > Medicine
- > Dentistry
- > Leisure management
- > Sports psychology
- > Sports coaching
- > Sports development
- > Sports journalism

PRACTICAL?

- ➤ The lessons are 100% theory!
- Practical will be assessed and carried out through games lessons and performing/coaching in school competitions.
- > You are assessed in 1 sport as a performer or coach in a fully competitive version of the game. (15%)
- You must complete written coursework analysing your performance (15%)

THEORY 85%

Paper 1 Exam 35%

Paper 2 exam 35%

Written Coursework 15 %

Practical Assessment 15%

CONTENT

Paper 1: Factors affecting participation in physical activity and sport

What's assessed

Section A: Applied anatomy and physiology

Section B: Skill acquisition

Section C: Sport and society

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours
- 105 marks
- 35 % of A-level

 Paper 2: Factors affecting optimal performance in physical activity and sport

What's assessed

Section A: Exercise physiology and biomechanics

Section B: Sport psychology

Section C: Sport and society and technology in sport

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours
- 105 marks
- 35% of A-level.

Non-exam assessment: Practical performance in physical activity and sport

What's assessed

Students assessed as a performer or coach in the full sided version of one activity.

Plus: written/verbal analysis of performance.

How it's assessed

- Internal assessment, external moderation
- 90 marks
- 30% of A-level

CURRENT GROUP SIZE

- Year 13 13 Students
- Year 12 13 Students

Note: Gaining an 9/8 at GCSE Level in PE is no guarantee that pupils will be an A/B grade 'A' Level student. (due to mismatch in practical /theory weighting)

2018 Results

33% A*/A

100% A*/C

2019 Results

_60% A*/A

_100% A*/D

2022 Results 33% A*/A

100% A*/B

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