

Programmes of Study and Subcontracted Provisions

What do students study at Coombe Dean Post-16?

All students at Coombe Dean will follow a full time programme of study comprising 540+ hours per year.

Most students will study three full time A-level or BTEC courses, comprising 540 study hours per year, 15 hours per week.

Some students may take on an additional course which could be another full time A level or BTEC, or a part-time course such as Level 3 Mathematics (324 hours per year) or the EPQ (324 hours per year comprising one taught session and two dedicated independent study sessions arranged by learner agreement with the P16 team).

Students without the required grade in Maths GCSE and English Language GCSE **or** English Literature GCSE will have an additional 2-4 hours towards achieving level 4 at GCSE English and/or Maths. This comprises 1 taught session plus 1-2 additional remote learning session(s).

Students in year 12 have an additional hour per week (38 hours per year) of Study Skills/Forensic Reading in addition to an average of 3 hours per week of tutorial programme or other enrichment such as careers events, work experience/employability skills and applied learning days. The tutorial programme comprises a structured programme of PSHE/Citizenship activities, Mental Health and Wellbeing activities, careers guidance and academic mentoring/independent study support.

We recognise that some students require reasonable adjustments to their programmes of study to accommodate special educational needs, including emotional health and wellbeing, or to adapt to a bespoke career path or unusual circumstances. In these cases a learner agreement will be assigned and kept on record specifying in-school independent study time, additional non-qualification activities such as volunteering or work experience, or additional support sessions.

What courses do we offer?

Subject	Course Type	Exam Board	Specification Title	Qual Hours per year
Art	A Level	Pearson Edexcel	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Art and Design	180
Applied Science	BTEC	Pearson	BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Applied Science	180
Biology	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Biology B	180
Business Studies	L3 Cert	OCR	Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Business	180

Chemistry	A level	Pearson Edexcel	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Chemistry	180
Core Maths	L3 Cert	AQA	Level 3 Certificate in Mathematical Studies	108
Criminology	BTEC	WJEC	Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology	180
Computer Science	A level	OCR		
English Literature	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced GCE in English Literature B	180
EPQ	L3 Cert	AQA	Level 3 Extended Project	108
Film Studies	A level	Eduqas	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Film Studies	180
Further Maths	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Further Mathematics	180
French	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced GCE in French	180
German	A level	Pearson Edexcel	Level 3 Advanced GCE in German	180
Geography	A level	Pearson Edexcel	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Geography	180
History	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced GCE in History A	180
Maths	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Mathematics	180
Music	Diploma	RSL	Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma for Music Practitioners	180
Physics	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Physics	180
Psychology	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced GCE in Psychology	180
Sociology	A level	AQA	Level 3 Advanced Subsidiary GCE in Sociology	180
Sport	BTEC	Pearson	BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sport	180

Other courses are available through the consortium such as Health and Social Care; Travel and Tourism; Media Studies; Computer Science; Religious Studies; Photography; Drama and Theatre Studies; Fine Art. Please see Plymstock School and Hele's School websites for more information. This is part of our school alliance and is not a subcontracted provision.

Subcontracted Provision: Vocational Enhancement

Coombe Dean works in collaboration with Plymstock and Hele's schools and some students will access courses at two or three schools. This is not a subcontracted provision.

For 2022-24 one student accesses specialist training via a subcontracted provider. This will not continue for future students. Provision of specialist training takes place at Devonport High School. Coombe Dean makes regular contact to ensure that:

- Students are adequately safeguarded
- Teaching and Learning is at least of the quality provided at the school
- ESFA funding compliance

Students accessing this training do so under the following conditions:

- Maintain high attendance record at all Coombe Dean lessons including tutorial sessions and GCSE retake face to face and online sessions where appropriate.
- Adherence to the P16 Code of Conduct.
- Regular and prompt communication with their Coombe Dean tutor, teachers and the P16 team as well as their tutor at DHSB.