

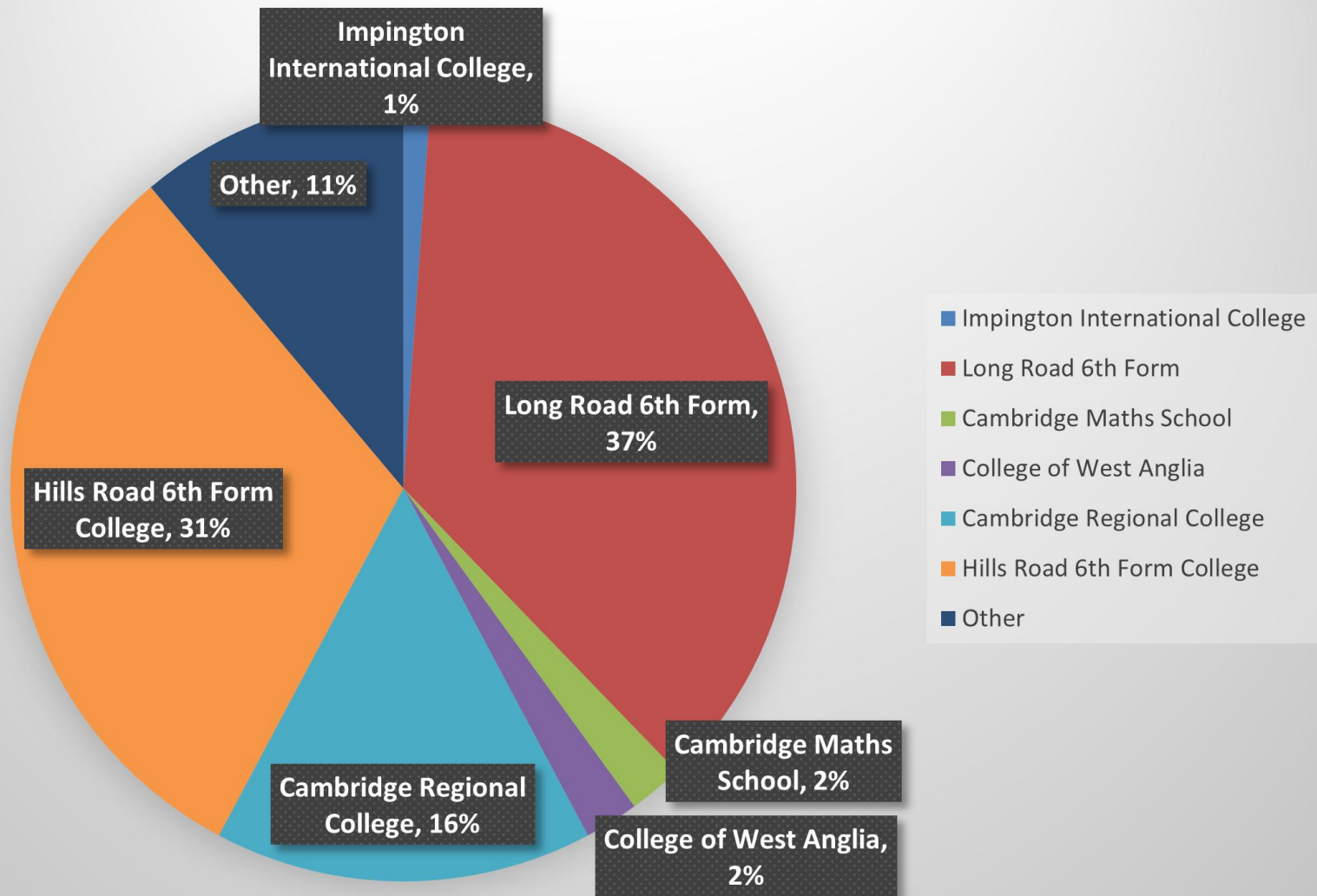


Welcome to our **CAP Post-16 Transition Evening**



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TCC Student Destinations 2025

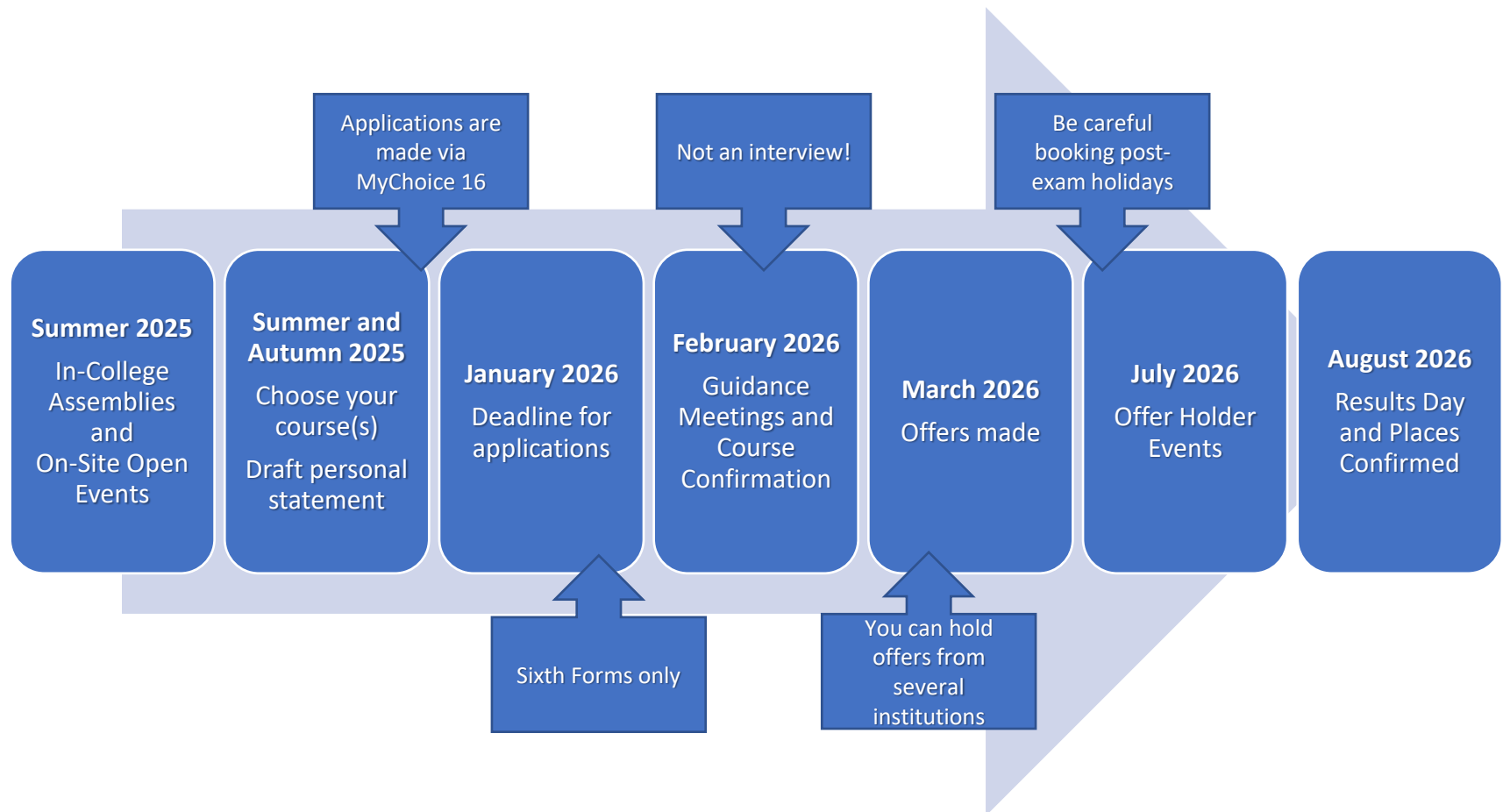


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The Application Process



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Post-16 Options

After leaving Trumpington Community College, students **must** choose whether to:

- stay in **full-time education**
- start an **apprenticeship** or **traineeship**
- spend **20 hours or more a week working or volunteering** while also doing **part-time education or training**

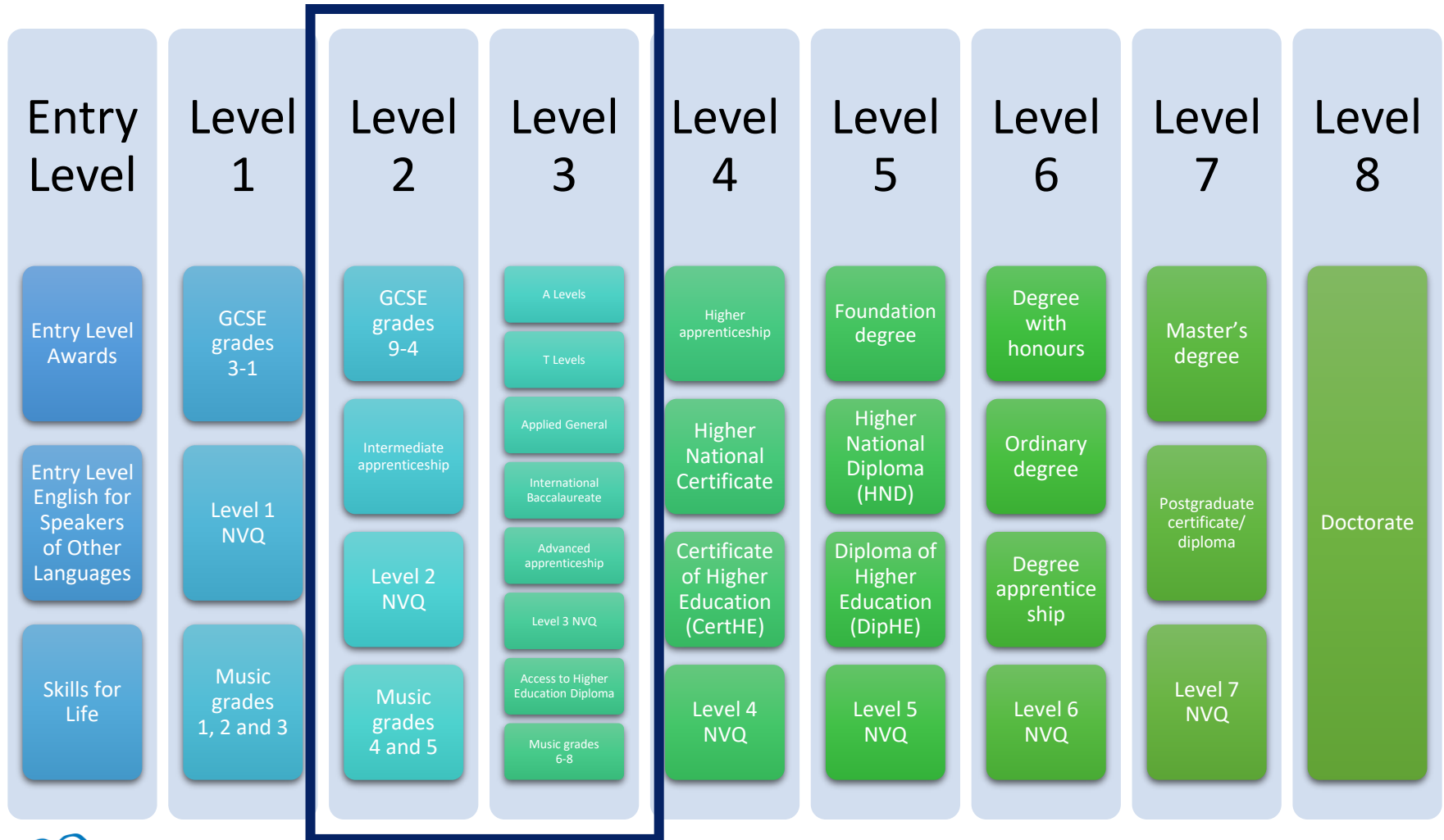


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Qualification Levels

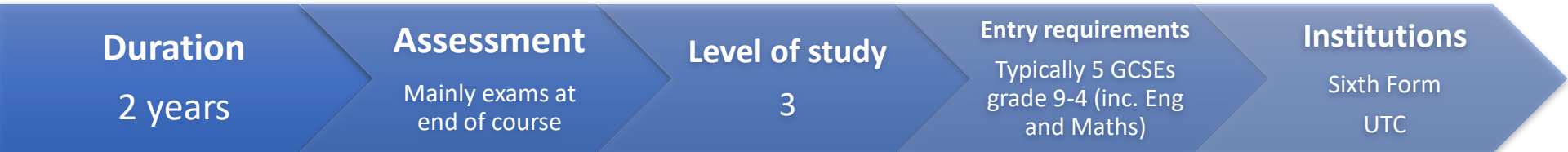


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A Levels



- Carry on subjects you took for GCSE to a higher level
- Pick new ones you may not have done before
- Take 3 very different subjects and keep options open

-or-

- Choose more closely related subjects
- Leads to university or college courses, higher and degree apprenticeships, work

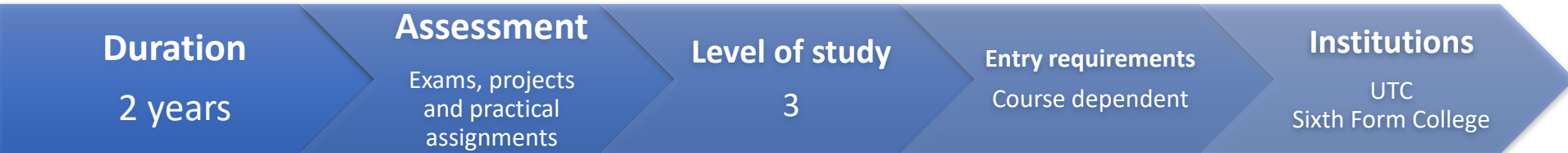


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T Levels



- Designed in partnership with employers
- Combines classroom learning with real work placement
- 1 T Level is the equivalent of 3 A Levels
- Leads to work, higher and degree apprenticeships, college and university courses

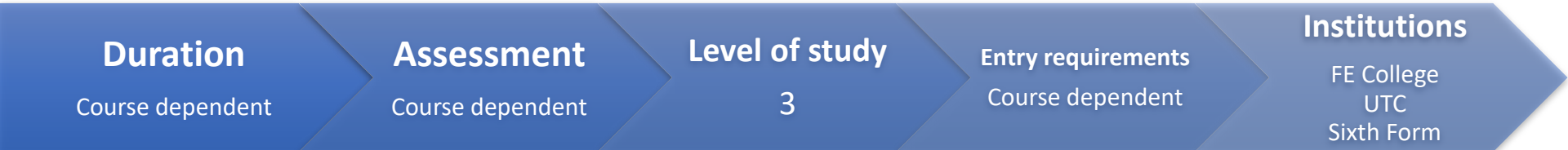


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Applied qualifications



- Qualifications that give a broad overview of working in a specific sector
- A mix of classroom-based learning with the chance to gain practical skills
- Leads to apprenticeship, work, college and university courses



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International Baccalaureate diploma

Duration

2 years

Assessment

Final exams and
coursework

Level of study

3

Entry requirements

Typically 5 GCSEs
grade 9-4 (inc. Eng
and Maths)

Institutions

Sixth Form

- Select 6 subjects including home language, a second language, a humanities subject, a science, maths, and either an arts subject or a second from humanities, languages or sciences.
- Study three subjects at Higher Level and three at Standard Level
- Students also complete the IB Core: Theory of Knowledge, an Extended Essay, and Creativity, Activity, Service
- Leads to university or college courses, higher and degree apprenticeships, work



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Vocational and technical qualifications



- Teach practical skills and knowledge for a particular area of employment
- Can prepare you for a broad employment sector or a specific job
- You may learn in real situations, for example a college restaurant or salon, open to the public
- Leads to apprenticeship, work, college and university courses

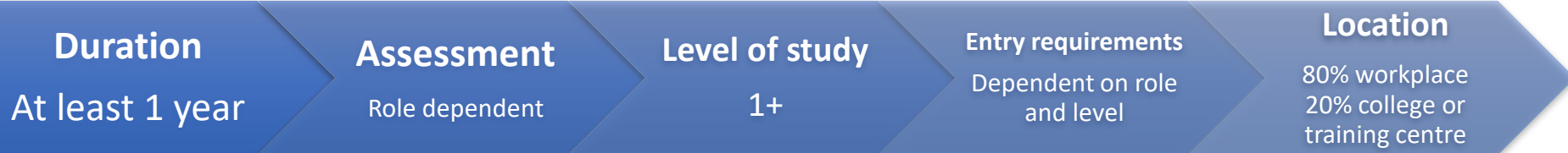


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Apprenticeships



- Combine practical on-the-job skills training with off-the-job learning
- Get training relevant to the job
- Paid a salary
- Start at a level that is appropriate to you
- Leads to work, next level of apprenticeship, further education, higher education



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Apprenticeships

- National Apprenticeship website
<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch>
- Not Going to Uni website -
<https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/>
- Apprenticeship area on
<https://www.mychoice16.co.uk>
- Companies' websites
- Contact colleges and training providers that offer apprenticeships
- Finding an apprenticeship is like finding a job



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Types of institution

A Levels	IB Career related Programme	Applied courses	Technical Vocational courses
Cambridge Academy for Science & Technology Cambridge Maths School Chesterton Sixth Form Hills Road Sixth Form College Long Road Sixth Form College The Oakes College	Impington International Sixth Form	Cambridge Regional College College of West Anglia (Cambridge) Long Road Sixth Form College The Oakes College	Cambridge Regional College College of West Anglia (Cambridge)
	IB Diploma Programme		T Levels
	Impington International Sixth Form		Cambridge Academy for Science & Technology Cambridge Regional College



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Making decisions

Things to consider

- What are your future plans and aspirations?
- Which subjects do you enjoy?
- What are the entry requirements and what are your projected grades?
- How is the course taught?
- How is the course assessed?
- How will you get to the setting?

Advice and guidance

- School Staff and Careers Advisors (Jen Wilby)
- Post 16 Open Events
- Websites/Prospectuses
- MyChoice16 website
- Family and Friends



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General guide to entry requirements

A Level /IB	T Levels	Applied general (Level 3)
Centres require a range of GCSEs including Maths and English.	- Minimum of 5 grade 4 GCSEs including Maths and English. - Some require GCSE grade 4 or above in specific subjects	- Minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above (or vocational equivalent) usually including Maths and/or English - Some require 5 GCSEs grade 4 - Some require specific subjects
GCSE	Technical vocational	Applied general (Level 2)
- Minimum of 3 grade 4 GCSEs including Maths and English. - Some subjects need specific subjects and grades	- You start most courses at Level 1, progressing to Level 2 and Level 3 as your skills develop - For some courses you can enter at Level 2 or 3 depending on skill level - Some courses need specific subjects	- Minimum of 3 GCSEs at grade 3 (or vocational equivalent) usually including Maths and/or English - Some require 3 GCSEs grade 4 - Some require specific subjects



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Minimum entry requirements for 2026 entry

Cambridge Academy for Science & Technology	A Level: At least 7 GCSEs at grade 9-4, including Maths (5; 6 if studying sciences; 7 if studying Further Maths) and English (4) with at least a grade 6 in the subjects chosen at A Level. Please also check some subject specific requirements. T Level: At least 5 GCSEs at grade 9-4, including Sciences (5), Maths (5) and English (4)
Cambridge Maths School	Be predicted seven GCSEs at grade 5 or above including GCSE Maths grade 8 or 9, GCSE Combined Science 8-8 or higher (or separate science grade 8 or higher in the subject you wish to study) and GCSE English grade 5 or higher. All students with these predicted grades will be invited to an aptitude test. Students passing the aptitude test will be invited to an interview.
Chesterton Sixth	Students need at least 5 grade 6s including Maths and English (either Lang or Lit) as well as subject specific requirements
Hills Road Sixth Form College	For 30 out of 36 of our subjects, this is a predicted GCSE grade 6 and an Admissions Score of 56 for CAP students. Maths, Biology, Chemistry and Physics have a higher Admissions Score, as does studying a Four A level Programme



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Minimum entry requirements for 2026 entry

Long Road Sixth Form College	At least five GCSEs at grade 5 in a range of subjects, usually including Maths and English. To study Level 3 Applied courses, we require at least five GCSEs at grade 4, usually including Maths and/or English. To study our Level 2/GCSE programme, we require three GCSEs at grade 4, with at least grade 3 in both Maths and English
Oakes Sixth Form	Students require 6 GCSE grades 9-4, including Maths and English grade 4, for A level subjects. A minimum grade 6 is advised where a subject is continued from GCSE. For Applied subjects, a requirement of 5 GCSEs grades 9-4 is our standard offer, including a pass or near pass in English and Maths.
Cambridge Regional College	T Levels – 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, Maths and Science Level 2 – 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and Maths Level 3 – 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and Maths
College of West Anglia	Level 2 – 4 GCSEs at grade 3 or above Level 3 – 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and Maths T Levels – 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and Maths
Impington International College	IB Diploma – 7 GCSEs of an average grade 6 IB Careers – 5 GCSEs at grade 5 or above, including English and Maths



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Upcoming Open Events

[Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology](#)

[Cambridge Regional College](#) (Cambridge campus)

[Chesterton Sixth Form](#)

[Cambridge Maths School](#)

[Hills Road Sixth Form College](#)

[Long Road Sixth Form College](#)

[The Oakes College](#)

[Cambourne Sixth Form](#)

[College of West Anglia](#)

[Comberton Sixth Form](#)

[Impington International College](#)

[Thursday 6th November 17:00-19:30](#)

[Wednesday 22nd October 16:30-19:00](#)

[Tuesday 11th November 16:30-19:00](#)
[\(Apprenticeships\)](#)

[Saturday 15th November 09:30-12:30](#)

[Tuesday 21st October 18:00-20:00](#)

[Thursday 16th October 15:30-20:00](#)

Do not offer Autumn term events

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[Tuesday 21st October 18:00-20:00](#)

[No Autumn term open events available –](#)
[tours can be booked for November](#)

[Thursday 23rd October 16:30-19:30](#)

[Saturday 29th November 09:00-12:30](#)

[No Autumn term open events available – tours](#)
[can be booked for November](#)

[Wednesday 22nd October 17:00-19:30](#)



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Support in your next steps

- **September Guarantee** – the local authority's duty to make sure you are offered a suitable place by the end of September
- **16-19 Bursary Fund** – to support with things like books, travel or equipment if you will struggle with costs
- **Education, Health, and Care Plan** – support to choose your next steps and extra help through the post-16 period



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Further contacts

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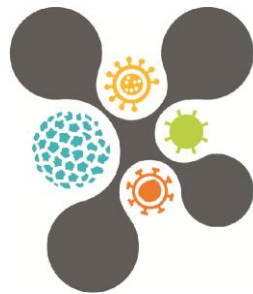


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What we offer at CAST



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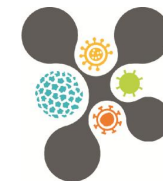
What we offer at CAST

- STEM A Levels or T Levels
- All students complete EPQ and Core Maths (if not studying A Level Maths)
- All students do Challenge
- Extracurricular activities
- Small supportive environment
- Specialist teachers
- Outstanding facilities
- Close links to industry and academia



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Facilities



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