



GRANGE ACADEMY

S3 into S4 Personalisation and Choice 2024/25

Monday 4th March 2024 at 6:30pm

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THE SENIOR PHASE

S4

7 subjects

SCQF Levels
3 to 5

S5

5 subjects

SCQF Levels
5 and 6

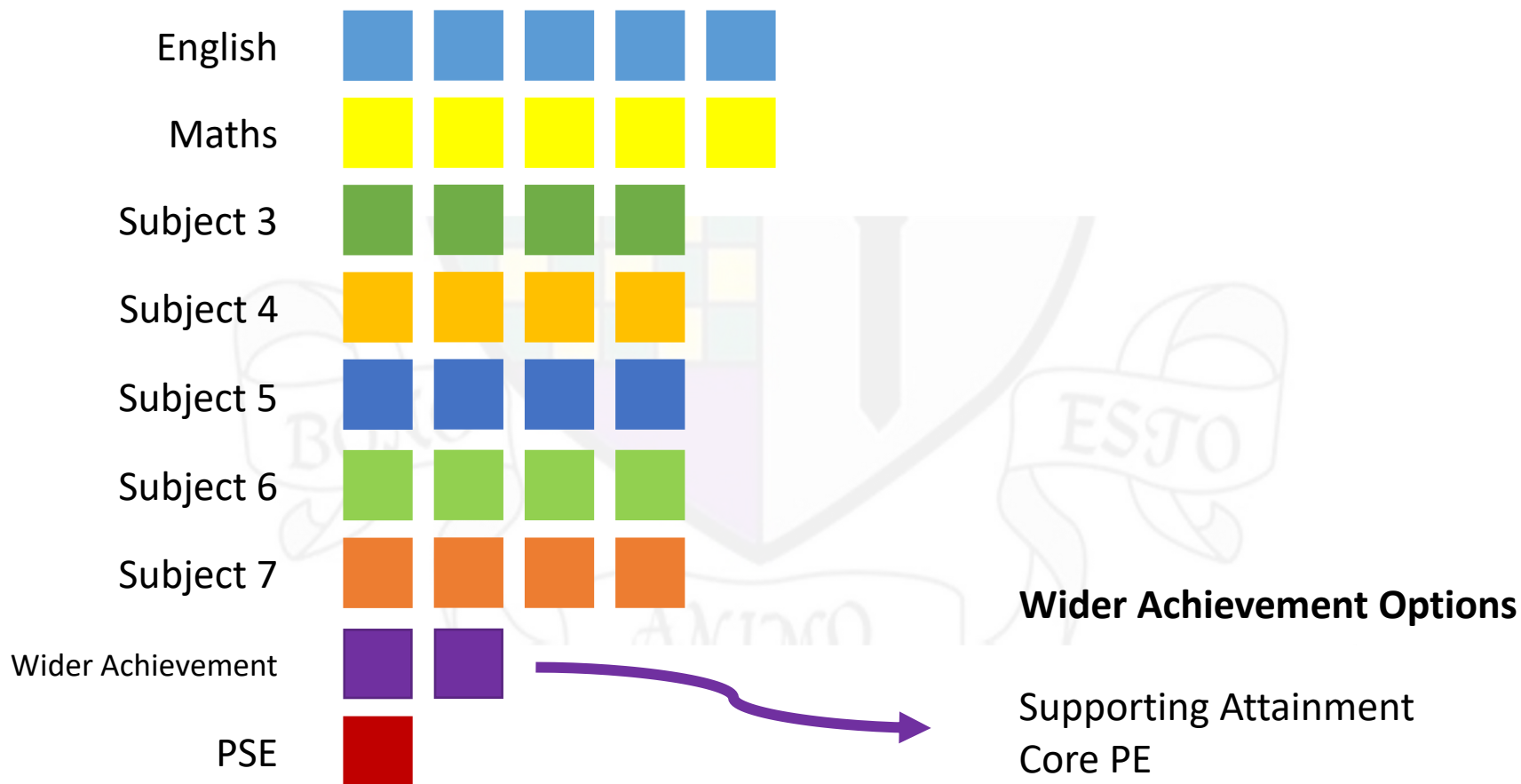
S6

Up to 5
subjects

SCQF Levels
5 to 7



THE SENIOR PHASE – S4



LABOUR MARKET INTELLIGENCE

Job openings are expected to be concentrated in a small number of industries, with four industries in Ayrshire forecast to account for 22,500 (58.1 per cent) of the requirement. These are (see Figure 12):

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Wholesale and Retail Trade:
7,600 people
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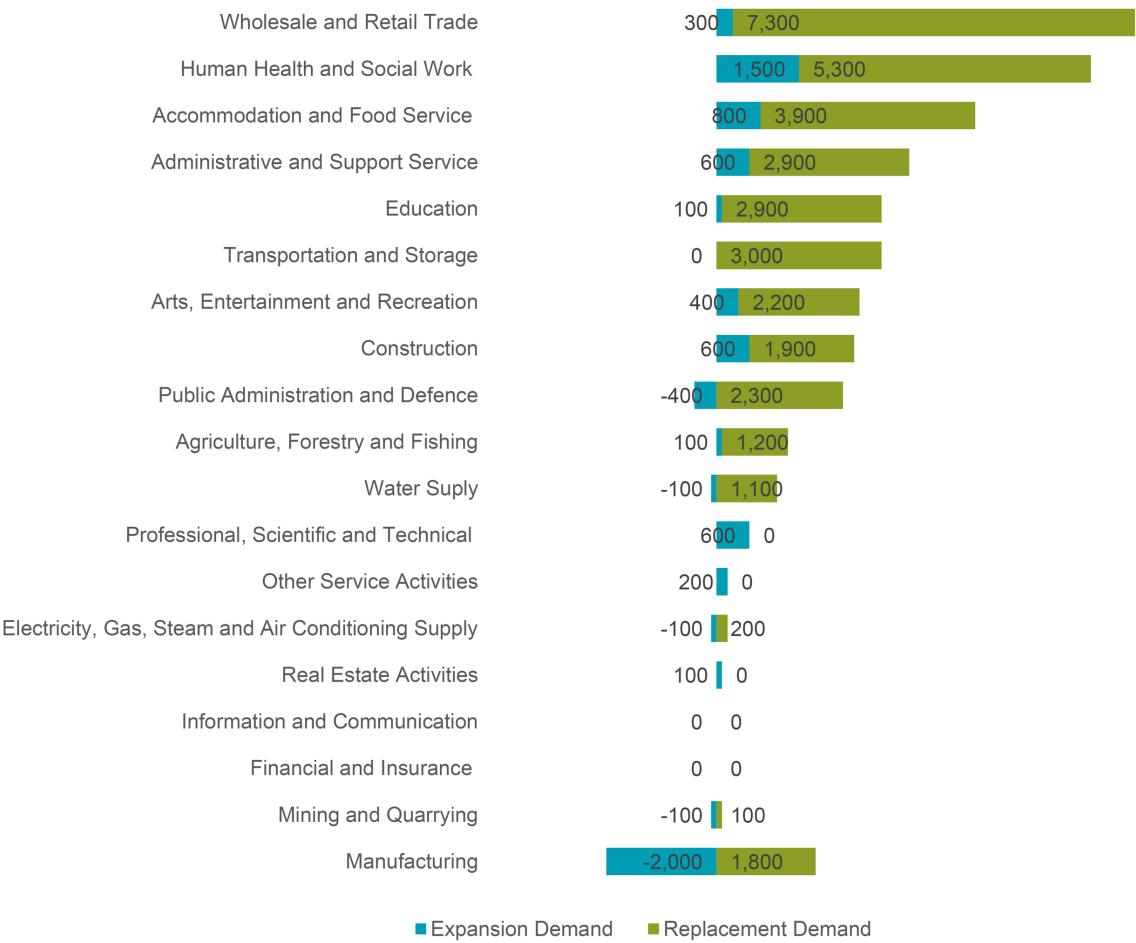
Human Health and Social Work:
6,800 people
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Accommodation and Food Service:
4,700 people
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Administrative and Support Service:
3,500 people

As we highlighted in our analysis of the mid-term, the operating practices of some industries are changing and evolving and will continue to do so over the longer term too. Automation has accelerated as a result of the pandemic and Industry 4.0 is set to have an even greater impact on the operating practices of industries such as Wholesale and Retail.

Figure 12: Forecast total requirement by industry (2025-2032), Ayrshire



AYRSHIRE GROWTH DEAL (AGD)

The Ayrshire Growth Deal – Scotland's first non-city deal – was signed in November 2020 and will bring a public sector investment of **£251.5 million** into the region.

The scale of this deal will galvanise efforts to develop key strategic sites and key sectors in Ayrshire and aims to facilitate private sector investment of more than £300m into the region and to support up to 7,000 new jobs.

The vision for the Ayrshire Growth Deal is for Ayrshire to be a vibrant, outward looking, confident region, attractive to investors and visitors, making a major contribution to Scotland's growth and local wellbeing and leading the implementation of digital technologies and the next generation of manufacturing.

Skills are a cross-cutting priority for the region, with a sectoral focus upon:

- Aerospace/space sector;
- Clean growth;
- Food and drink;
- Visitor economy; and
- Digital.

AYRSHIRE GROWTH DEAL

Ayrshire Growth Deal
Annual Report
2021/22



Space and
Aerospace



Economic
Infrastructure



Energy, Circular
Economy &
Environment



Communities



Tourism



THE SENIOR PHASE – S4

There are a wide range of different qualification types available throughout S4

- National Qualifications (National 3, National 4 and National 5)
- SCQF Level Awards (Level 3, Level 4 and Level 5)
- NPAs – National Progression Awards (internally assessed)
- SfW – Skills for Work Courses (internally assessed)

In Grange Academy we offer a 'free choice' model, where pupils select subjects without the restriction of options columns.

In total, pupils in S4 will study **seven** subjects plus PSE and Supporting Attainment/Core PE periods. In S5, pupils study five subjects and in S6, pupils can study up to and including **five** subjects.

For pupils involved in the **SFA Performance School** – two columns will be blocked off to enable you to access the requirements of the Performance School. In addition to Maths and English you will study **three** additional subjects.

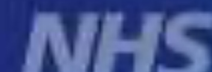
For **Hearing Impaired** pupils – one column can be allocated for you to work with staff in the Hearing Impairment Department. In addition to Maths and English you could study **four** additional subjects plus time with the HI Department.

THE SCOTTISH CREDIT AND QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

This Framework diagram has been produced to show the mainstream Scottish qualifications already credit rated by SQA and HEIs. However, there are a diverse number of learning programmes on the Framework, which, due to the limitations of this format, cannot be represented here. For more information, please visit the SCQF website at www.scqf.org.uk to view the interactive version of the Framework or search the Database.



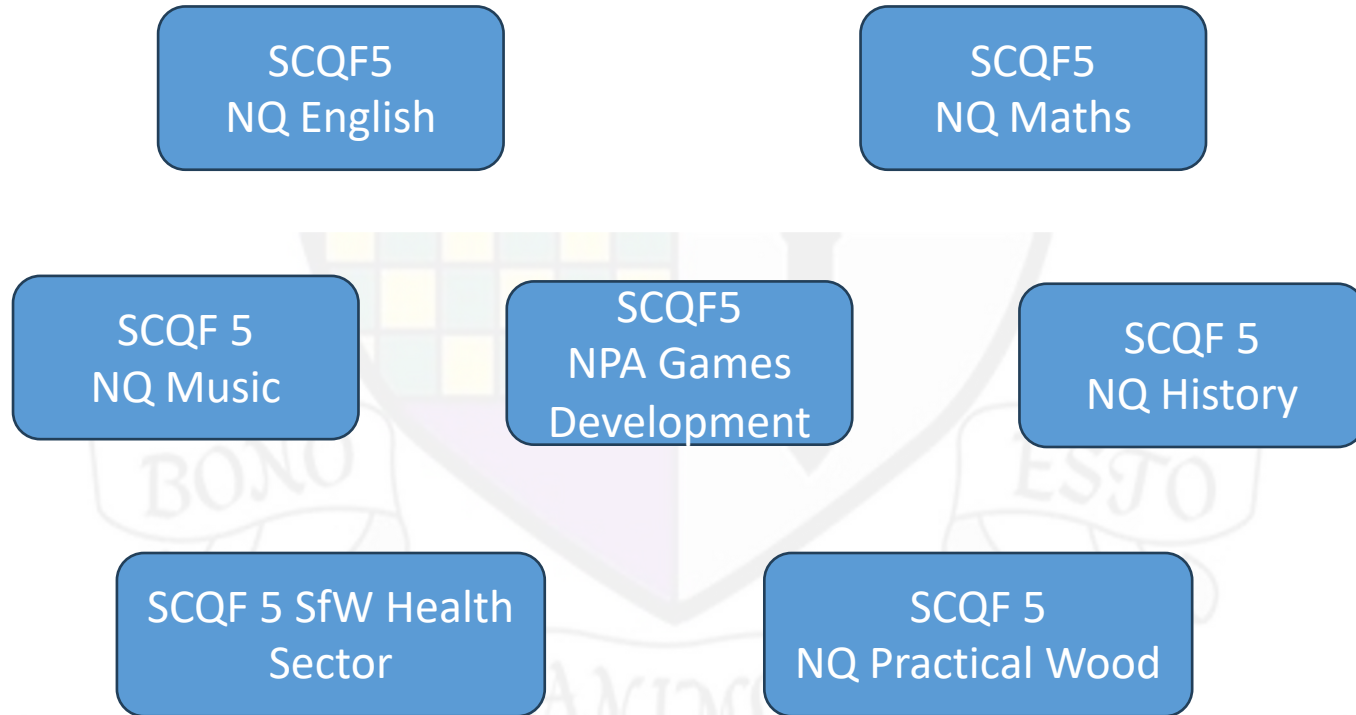
SCQF Levels	SQA Qualifications			Qualifications of Higher Education Institutions	Apprenticeships & SVQs
12				Doctoral Degree	Professional Apprenticeship
11				Masters Degree, Integrated Masters Degree, Post Graduate Diploma, Post Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Professional Apprenticeship SVQ
10				Honours Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Professional Apprenticeship
9				Bachelors / Ordinary Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Technical Apprenticeship SVQ
8		Higher National Diploma		Diploma Of Higher Education	Higher Apprenticeship Technical Apprenticeship SVQ
7	Advanced Higher, Awards, Scottish Baccalaureate	Higher National Certificate		Certificate Of Higher Education	Modern Apprenticeship SVQ
6	Higher, Awards, Skills for Work Higher				Modern Apprenticeship Foundation Apprenticeship SVQ
5	National 5, Awards, Skills for Work National 5				Modern Apprenticeship SVQ
4	National 4, Awards, Skills for Work National 4	National Certificate	National Progression Award		SVQ
3	National 3, Awards, Skills for Work National 3				
2	National 2, Awards				
1	National 1, Awards				



EXAMPLE LEARNER PATHWAYS

- A) Some pupils will complete seven SCQF Level 5 courses (English and Maths plus 5 others)
- B) Some pupils will take a combination of SCQF Level 3, 4 and 5 courses
- C) Some pupils will go study 6 subjects in school and attend College on a Tuesday/Thursday afternoon as part of the School College Partnership
- D) SFA Performance School pupils will study 5 subjects (English and Maths plus 3 others)
- E) Hearing Impaired pupils may choose to study 6 subjects plus have dedicated time with the HI Department.

EXAMPLE LEARNER PATHWAYS



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SCQF5 NQ English

Graded A – D

Mixture of
Coursework and
Exam

**Coursework
(Folio – 30%)**
March

Exam (70%)
2 papers in May

SCQF5 NQ Maths

Graded A – D

Exam Only

2 Question Papers in
May

Paper 1
Non-Calculator
Paper 2
Calculator

SCQF5 NPA Games Development

Continuous
Assessment over 3
units

Graded: Pass/Fail

1: Design
2: Media Assets
3: Development

SCQF 5 NQ Music

Graded A – D

Mixture of Coursework
(Assignment) & Exam

Performing Exam (50%)
Feb/March

Assignment (15%)
end March

Exam (35%)
May

SCQF 5 NQ History

Graded A – D

Mixture of Coursework
(Assignment) & Exam

Assignment (20%)
mid March

Exam (80%)
May

SCQF 5 SfW Health Sector

Continuous Assessment over 5 units
Graded: Pass/Fail

1: Working in the Health Sector
2: Employability Skills in the Health Sector
3: Medical Devices and Pharmaceuticals
4: Improving Health and Wellbeing
5: Physiology of the Cardiovascular System

SCQF 5 NQ Practical Wood

Graded A – D

Mixture of Coursework (Assignment) & Exam

Assignment - Project (70%): end March
Exam – Question Paper (30%): May

SENIOR PHASE PATHWAY PLANNING

Pupil Name _____ House Group _____ Date of Birth _____

Preferred Route University ☐ College ☐ Apprenticeship ☐ Employment ☐ Other (please detail) _____

Career Aspiration _____ Anticipated Leaving Date _____ end S4 • end S5 • end S6 •

S3

English	
Maths	
Mod Lang	
Social	
Science	
Technology	
Exp Art	
Choice 1	
Choice 2	
PE	
PSE	

S4

1	English
2	Mathematics
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
WA	
PSE	

S5

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
WA	
PSE	

S6

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
WA	
PSE	

Pupil Signature _____ Parent Signature _____ Grange Staff Signature _____

S3 INTO S4 OPTIONS

ENGLISH AND MATHS PLUS 5 FREE CHOICE

Maths and English have already been selected above. You would now choose your additional choices from the remaining options. You **do not** need to select a subject in every area – you choose freely from the other subjects.

Below they are grouped by their curricular area to help you find them.

LANGUAGES

English
French
Mandarin
Spanish

MATHEMATICS

Mathematics

EXPRESSIVE ARTS

NPA Art and Design
NQ Art and Design
Drama
Music

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Physical Education (SQA)
SfW Hospitality

SCIENCES

Biology
Chemistry
SfW Health Sector
Physics
Science (SCQF L4 only)

SOCIAL STUDIES

Geography
History
Modern Studies
SfW Travel and Tourism

TECHNOLOGIES

Business Management
Computing Science
NPA Games Development
Design and Manufacture
Graphic Communication
Practical Woodwork

OTHER

College (please refer to list)
Hearing Impairment
SFA Performance School 1
SFA Performance School 2

GRANGE ACADEMY S4

Will I definitely get to study my first-choice subjects?

We always aim to ensure that all pupils get to study their preferred subjects in S4. However, sometimes courses do not run because of low uptake or due to timetabling constraints. Unfortunately, we do not have an infinite amount of teaching time available and cannot always guarantee that a course will run.

Generally, a course needs at least ten pupils to run. If a course is oversubscribed, we may also have to look at your intended career path before coming to a decision about whether or not we should allocate a space to you.

MAKING YOUR CHOICES

- Consider your own skills and talents
- Rely on the support of your family – discuss your choices with them
- Do not base choices on the choices of your friends – these are your choices
- Use My World of Work and the Options Information Booklet to help inform your choice.

MAKING CHOICES

There are several factors to consider when selecting subjects:

You should not select a subject that you did not study in S3 (unless it is a subject, such as Health Sector or Travel and Tourism, which is appearing for the first time in S4)

Only in exceptional circumstances should you select to study three subjects within a curricular area (Sciences, Social Subjects etc). At this stage it is important not to narrow your curriculum too much – in these situations we would discuss them on a case by case basis.

SCHOOL COLLEGE COURSES

For some pupils, the most appropriate pathway in S4 includes a course at Ayrshire College. At the time of writing, the courses scheduled to run in Session 2023/24 are shown below. **Please be aware – there are a lot of courses!**

Course Name	SCQF	Delivery Location	Delivery Days	Delivery Times	Delivery Model
Business and Computing					
NPA Software Development Level 4	4	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
NPA Software Development Level 6	6	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
HNC Accounting (infill)	7	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	9:00 - 4:00	
HNC Cyber Security (infill)	7	Kilwinning Campus	Tues / Thurs	9:00 - 4:00	On campus
Construction					
Introduction to the Construction Industry	4	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Civil Engineering Year 1	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2:00 - 5:00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Civil Engineering Year 2	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2:00 - 5:00	On campus
HNC Architectural Technology (infill)	7	Ayr Campus	Mon / Wed	9:00 - 4:00	On campus
HNC Construction Management with Sustainability (infill)	7	Ayr Campus	Mon / Wed	9:00 - 4:00	On campus
Creative					
NPA Digital Media with Film Making	5	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
NPA Acting & Performance	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
NPA Sound Production	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
Portfolio Work (Life Drawing & Printmaking)	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
Production Arts (Including Technical Theatre) (Level 6)	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
Early Education					
Foundation Apprenticeship Social Services, Children and Young People - Yr 1	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Social Services, Children and Young People - Yr 1	6	Kilwinning Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Social services: Children and young people Yr 2	6	Ayr Campus	Tues - on campus Thurs - work placement	2:00 - 4:00 & 9:00 - 4:00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Social services: Children and young people Yr 2	6	Kilwinning Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
NPA Children & Young People (infill in to FA)	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
NPA Children & Young People (infill in to FA)	6	Kilwinning Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	TBC
Skills for Work Early Education & Childcare Level 4	4	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
Skills for Work Early Education & Childcare Level 5	5	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus

SCHOOL COLLEGE COURSES

Engineering & Science					
SVQ 1 Performing Engineering Operations x2	4	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
SVQ 2 Performing Engineering Operations (Kilmarnock & Grange)	5	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	1:00 - 5:00	On campus/ Grange
SVQ 2 Performing Engineering Operations (infill)	5	Kilmarnock Campus	Thur / Fri	9:00 - 4:00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Engineering Y1	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2:00 - 5:00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Engineering Y1 (Electrical)	6	Irvine Skills Centre	Tues / Thurs	2:00 - 5:00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Engineering Y2	6	Ayr Campus	Tues / Thurs	2:00 - 5:00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Engineering Y2 (Electrical)	6	Irvine Skills Centre	Tues / Thurs	2:00 - 5:00	On campus
Foundation Apprenticeship Scientific Technology (Laboratory Skills) (1 year programme)	6	Kilwinning Campus	Tues / Thurs	9:00 - 4:00	On campus
HNC Applied Sciences (infill)	7	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	9:00 - 4:00	On campus
HNC Electrical (Infil)	7	Kilwinning Campus	Wed / Thur	9:00 - 4:00	On campus
HNC Mechatronics (Infill)	7	Kilwinning Campus	Wed / Thur	9:00 - 4:00	On campus

Hair & Beauty					
Steps to Work Hair & Beauty x2	4	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus

Health & Social Care					
Mental Health & Well Being Award	5	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus

Hospitality					
NPA Professional Cookery	4	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 5.00 (Tue) Remote (Thu)	Campus Tue/ Remote Thu
NPA Hospitality (with Barista)	5	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus

Motor Vehicle					
Skills for Work: Automotive Skills National 4	4	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus

Social Science					
NPA Criminology	6	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
HNC Social Science(infill)	7	Kilmarnock Campus	TBC	TBC	TBC
PDA Psychology (Infill)	7	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On Campus

Sport					
Skills for Work: Uniformed Services	4	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	2.00 - 4.00	On campus
HNC Physical Activity and Health	7	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	9:00 - 4:00	On campus
HNC Sports Coaching and Development (Infill)	7	Kilmarnock Campus	Tues / Thurs	09.00 - 4.00	On campus

SfW – Skills for Work

SCQF – Scottish Credit & Qualification Framework

NPA – National Progression Award

Level 4 – approx. Nat 4 level

SVQ – Scottish Vocational Qualification

Level 5 – approx. Nat 5 level

C&G – City and Guilds

Level 6 – approx. Higher level

SCHOOL COLLEGE COURSES

- All young people wishing to attend college must complete an online application form in order to secure a place on a programme of study.
- School staff will provide support and guidance in relation to the application process.
- You may be invited for interview and Ayrshire College will decide who is accepted on to each course.
- Should your application be rejected, you will need to select an additional subject to study in school.

If you are interested in applying to a School College course please let your Guidance Teacher know by sending them a message TODAY!

SOME FREQUENT QUESTIONS

Why only take three of the same curricular area in exceptional circumstances?

At this stage, in S4, we are keen that pupils do not narrow their subject choice too much. In Science, for example, very few University level courses state the need for three Sciences as an entry requirement.

Do I need to take ... ?

In S4, the only mandatory qualification subjects are English and Maths. In addition all pupils will receive PSE and Core PE (unless studying PE as a National Qualification).

Where can I find out about ... ?

Please see the next two pages for the variety of resource we have created to support this process.

Can they change their mind?

Yes! We understand that pupils will sometimes make a wrong choice. We will always aim to support a young person to find the right pathway. If, once they have submitted their option form, you would like to make an amendment – please contact the school office in the first instance.

If a request to change subject happens after the start of the course – this might not always be able to be met. We would need to explore whether there is any space in the requested subject and we would need to consider how much of the course has been missed.

USEFUL RESOURCES

My World of Work

<https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/my-career-options/where-can-option-choices-take-you>

My World of Work is a Skills Development Scotland service that provides a unique mix of resources, features and job information to help people discover more about themselves and the future world of work. You can also access My World of Work from Glow. We strongly encourage parents/carers to use this site with pupils.



SCAN ME

Ayrshire College Course Information Website

<https://www1.ayrshire.ac.uk/schools/>



SCAN ME

USEFUL RESOURCES

Skills Development Scotland – Rebecca and Scott

Rebecca and Scott, our Careers Advisors, are always happy to arrange a time to talk with pupils and/or parents/carers about career choices and pathways.

If you wish to arrange an appointment with your school Careers Adviser they can be contacted through the information tab on the school app or using one of the options below:

Rebecca Munn

Telephone: 01563 601 241

Email: Rebecca.Munn@sds.co.uk

Scott Masterton

Telephone: 01563 601 235

Email: scott.masterton@sds.co.uk

Please be aware that career information and advice is available online for anyone who needs it at [My World of Work](#). You can also contact [your local centre](#) on **01563 527165** to speak to an adviser or call the SDS helpline on 0800 917 8000

WHAT HAPPENS NOW ...

Options Information Evening (tonight)

Parent/Carer Information Issued (this presentation) – tomorrow on school app

Options Interview Process runs with Guidance Staff

- S3 Parents Evening – Thursday 14th March 2024

Timetabling and Validity Process – can all courses run etc

Re-Options Process (if required)

Timetable Change – normally mid-May