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Dear Prospective Sixth Former

WELCOME TO THE PROSPECTUS OF THE INVICTUS SIXTH FORM.

As you will read in detail further in the Prospectus, Invictus Sixth is a vibrant and aspirational Sixth Form with a difference.

Students at Invictus Sixth are challenged by a range of high-quality academic courses, taught by our very best subject specialists. If you are already a student with us, you will be in familiar surroundings with staff who know you as an individual and will personalise a pathway to ensure success. If you are joining Invictus for the first time, we will get to know you quickly so you can achieve your potential from day one.

All our students are well challenged, well supported and embrace the opportunities to meet and study with new people as well as make a wider circle of friends.

We are also determined that the broader experience of being part of Invictus should be rich and varied. Your educational path is accompanied by our enrichment programme, fantastic pastoral care and high quality career advice to ensure you achieve the very best.

Our high expectations together with high aspirations ensure we support every student in our care in reaching their very highest potential.

I hope you enjoy researching all the courses we have on offer and I look forward to working alongside as you embark on the next steps in your education.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emily Morgan".

Emily Morgan
Director of Sixth Form



INVICTUS ALUMNI

STUDENT	SUBJECTS	GRADES	DESTINATION
HARRY	History Religious Studies English Literature	A A* A	University of Exeter BA (Hons) Philosophy & History
JAKE	Biology Chemistry Mathematics	A A A	University of Nottingham BSc (Hons) Pharmaceutical
SIENNA	BTEC Forensics & Criminal Studies Biology History	Distinction* A B	University of Worcester BSc (Hons) Midwifery
ALEX	Biology Chemistry Computer Science	A B B	Newcastle University BSc (Hons) Chemistry
SUNAINA	BTEC Health & Social Care BTEC Childrens Play, Learning & Development BTEC Applied Law	Distinction Merit Distinction	Birmingham City University LLB Law
FINLAY	Chemistry Mathematics Physics	A A A	University of Birmingham BSc (Hons) Nuclear Engineering
ISABEL	Biology Chemistry Geography	A* A* A	University of Birmingham BSc (Hons) Biochemistry (Genetics)
JACOB	BTEC Sport & Exercise Science DT: Product Design Business Studies	D*D* B B	University of Birmingham BSc (Hons) Applied Golf Management Studies
ALEISHA	BTEC Health & Social Care BTEC Children's Play, Learning & Development Art Extended Project Qualification	Distinction* Distinction A* B	University of Worcester BA (Hons) Primary Teaching
JAKE	Biology Chemistry Psychology	A A A	University of Warwick BSc (Hons) Biological Sciences with Placement Year
CRISTINA	Biology Chemistry Physics	B B B	University of Warwick BSc (Hons) Chemistry
LOUIS	BTEC Business BTEC Applied Law BTEC Forensics & Criminal Studies	Distinction Distinction Distinction	Level 5 Apprenticeship Kuehne & Nagel Sales & Logistics

COURSES ON OFFER AT INVICTUS SIXTH FORM

There are a range of courses on offer at Invictus Sixth Form as we are able to draw upon the highest level of expertise and achievement from all of our schools. As such, students have the flexibility to choose course combinations which best match their needs and aspirations.

YOU SHOULD CHOOSE SUBJECTS THAT YOU THINK YOU WILL ENJOY AND BE SUCCESSFUL AT, BUT THROUGH CAREFUL RESEARCH, SHOULD ALSO CONSIDER WHICH COURSES WILL ALLOW YOU TO PURSUE A SPECIFIC CAREER OR UNIVERSITY CHOICE, BEFORE MAKING FINAL DECISIONS. STAFF WILL ADVISE AND GUIDE YOU DURING THE INTERVIEW PROCESS TO HELP YOU MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICES.

A-LEVEL COURSES ON OFFER INCLUDE:

Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Modern Language, Drama, Mathematics, Psychology, Sociology, Geography, English Literature, Art, DT: Product Design, History, Physical Education, Computer Science, Business Studies.

LEVEL 3 BTEC COURSES ON OFFER INCLUDE:

Applied Law, Business, Health and Social Care, Sport, Forensics and Criminology, Applied Psychology, Digital Media.

Full details of all courses on offer can be found in the online course guide booklet.

ENRICHMENT

We believe that Sixth Form students should be provided with many opportunities to develop their skills, knowledge and ideas beyond the classroom. Our Enrichment Programme has been carefully planned to give you chances to help you pursue other interests and qualifications in conjunction with your main courses. Previous examples of courses and opportunities which have been included in our programme are:

- Further Maths
- Esports
- Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- Peer Mentoring Programme
- English Speaking Board
- Student Council
- Volunteering Programme
- Accelerated Reading Programme
- First Aid
- Performing Arts
- Sport (rugby, netball and football, use of the gym)
- Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Core Maths
- Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)
- Peer Mentoring
- Work Experience Opportunities

VISITS

Sixth Form students will be invited to take part in a number of exciting visits, University Masterclasses and residentials, as well as trips to the Birmingham HE Convention. Interview skills days will also form a crucial part of a student's experience as they prepare for life beyond the Sixth Form.

INVICTUS SIXTH FORM SPORTS ACADEMIES

RUGBY ACADEMY

2024 will mark the start of the sixth year of the Invictus Sixth Rugby Academy.

The academy programme combines academic study and high-quality sporting provision at the £3.1 million sports complex at Kinver High School and Sixth Form.

The Rugby Academy offers prospective students individually-tailored educational pathways. These consist of studying A-Levels or BTECs depending on students' needs as well as providing high-quality rugby coaching and provision, via established links with Community Group and England Rugby.

Alongside academic study, several England Rugby qualifications can be completed over the two year period to further enhance rugby development, including: Level 2 Coaching Award; Level 2 Officiating Award; Rugby Emergency First Aid; and Child Safeguarding. There are opportunities for you to compete against rugby playing independent schools and Sixth Forms across the West Midlands region, and further afield, providing you with the prospect of demonstrating your skills at the highest possible level in the under-18 field.

This is a unique opportunity for students to not only pursue high-quality further education, but to also maintain a firm focus and development in the sport they love. It is hoped that this course will allow you to foster a life-long commitment to developing rugby at grassroots level and beyond.

THERE ARE 3 MAIN ASPECTS OF THE RUGBY ACADEMY PROGRAMME:

HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION

School based =
more support, more structure, more familiar.
Dedicated pastoral staff.

HIGH QUALITY RUGBY COACHING

Coaching is individually catered to help
you improve.
Personalised strength and conditioning
guidance/sessions.

ENGLAND RUGBY QUALIFICATIONS

Opportunity to take part in numerous
qualifications over the two years to enable you
to get a career in the rugby world.

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NETBALL ACADEMY

2024 will mark the fifth year of the Invictus Sixth Netball Academy.

The Netball Academy programme combines academic study and high-quality sporting provision, making the most of the Trust's unrivalled sporting facilities.

The Netball Academy offers prospective students individually-tailored educational pathways. These consist of studying A-Levels and/or BTECs, depending on students' goals and ambitions, as well as providing students with high-quality netball coaching and support.

Alongside academic study, several accredited netball specific qualifications are offered over the two-year period to further enhance students' experience, including: Level 2 Coaching Award; Introduction to Umpiring Award; First Aid; and Child Safeguarding. The course also includes specific nutritional advice and programming. Strength and conditioning sessions are also incorporated.

There are numerous opportunities for you to compete against independent schools and Sixth Forms across the West Midlands and wider region. This level of exposure offers our students self-awareness and an understanding of where their standard of netball is in a local, regional and national context.

This is a unique opportunity for students to not only pursue high-quality further education, but to also maintain a firm focus and development within the sport they love. The aim of the academy programme is to develop a life-long commitment to netball and the growth of netball within the UK, at grassroots level and beyond.



STUDENTS ALSO BENEFIT FROM OUR ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS WITH LOCAL CLUBS, UNIVERSITIES AND ENGLAND NETBALL.



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FOOTBALL ACADEMY

The Invictus Football Academy is an exciting opportunity for students to combine their educational studies whilst being part of our Football Academy throughout the school academic year.

The Football Academy programme combines academic study and high-quality sporting provision, making the most of the Trust's unrivalled sporting facilities.

The Football Academy offers prospective students individually-tailored educational pathways. These consist of studying A-Levels and/or BTECs, depending on students' goals and ambitions, as well as providing students with high-quality football coaching and support.

The Football Academy aims to give every student a coaching and games programme that not only improves them as young footballers but more importantly gives them an all-round development programme in order to fulfil their potential.

As well as the regular training sessions, the football academy will be entered into a recognised league where regular competitive matches are played against other schools, academies and colleges.



INVICTUS SIXTH FORM PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY

Attention all prospective Sixth Form arts students! If you are a singer, dancer or musician, or someone who wishes to gain experience working as part of a technical team then this opportunity is for you!

- Students will be able to access high quality arts education in a format which will lead to performances, workshops and extra exam qualifications in addition to what our extensive arts curriculum already caters for.
- IPAA sessions can be delivered through our highly experienced and qualified permanent staff as well as other industry professionals who will have an input on a range of different performance skills. Occasional staff will also include West End professionals as well as more local experts (vocal and dance coaches from the Birmingham Royal Ballet and the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire for example).
- The IPAA will initially have a Musical Theatre focus, but this will develop according to need and numbers in the group within the academic year.
- IPAA students have access to our state of the art Music technology suites, dance Studios and theatres across the Trust schools.



PREPARING FOR LIFE AFTER SIXTH FORM

CAREERS AND UNIVERSITY GUIDANCE

The vast majority of our students go on to university and higher level degree apprenticeships. In order to prepare students for the application process, and to give them the very best chance of success, each campus within Invictus Sixth Form will provide a comprehensive and structured programme of support and guidance we call 'Futures'. This course covers a wide range of topics including advanced study skills, revision techniques, driver safety, preparation for job applications and the university application process. As part of this programme, students are given the opportunity to visit various universities. Previously we have taken students to Oxford, Birmingham, Aberystwyth, Edge Hill and Aston Universities to enable them to gain an insight into university life. For those students who decide to take a gap year, seek employment or choose to explore the apprenticeship route, we offer advice on writing CVs, completion of application forms and preparation for interviews. Students are also enrolled into our Unifrog programme which supports students through the decision-making process for life after the Sixth Form.



ACADEMIC GUIDANCE

Sixth Form is a bridge between school and university where we aim to develop students' independence. A-Levels are challenging and we seek to support and guide our students as they make the transition from GCSE to A-Level study. During their time with us, we acknowledge that students may at some point face a difficulty, whether in relationships, health, family life, academic or other issues. Our teams within each campus are experienced in identifying those students in need of extra care and guidance and will ensure that everything possible is done to provide them with the necessary support to enable them to fulfil their potential. We are proud to be able to offer students a personal tutor whom they will meet with regularly. We also provide access to Learning Mentors, student counsellors and the Staffordshire/Dudley Careers Guidance Service.

PASTORAL CARE

One of the many features that sets Invictus Sixth Form apart from other Post 16 providers is the outstanding pastoral care we provide. Students are not merely a number amongst the crowd. We get to know our students very well during their time with us and will always 'step in' if they experience struggles in any of their subjects, their home life or in relationships. As well as our highly experienced base campus based Heads of Sixth Form we are able to access support from other in-house and external support networks to make sure that no one is left behind and no one is left to struggle on their own. We pride ourselves in this area and truly believe that this is one of the key reasons why our students are so successful.



APPLYING TO INVICTUS SIXTH FORM

Students must apply to Invictus Sixth Form via the link on the www.invictussixth.com website.

Entry Requirements

All students are expected to demonstrate their suitability for the courses they have chosen and must meet standard entry requirements as shown below.

Students must also ensure that they check the individual entry requirements for their chosen courses in the course guide.

A-Level or Combined A-Level / BTEC Pathway

For those students wishing to study a full A-Level or combined A Level / BTEC programme, the expectation is that you will achieve five grade 5s or above including English Language and Mathematics.

Full BTEC Pathway

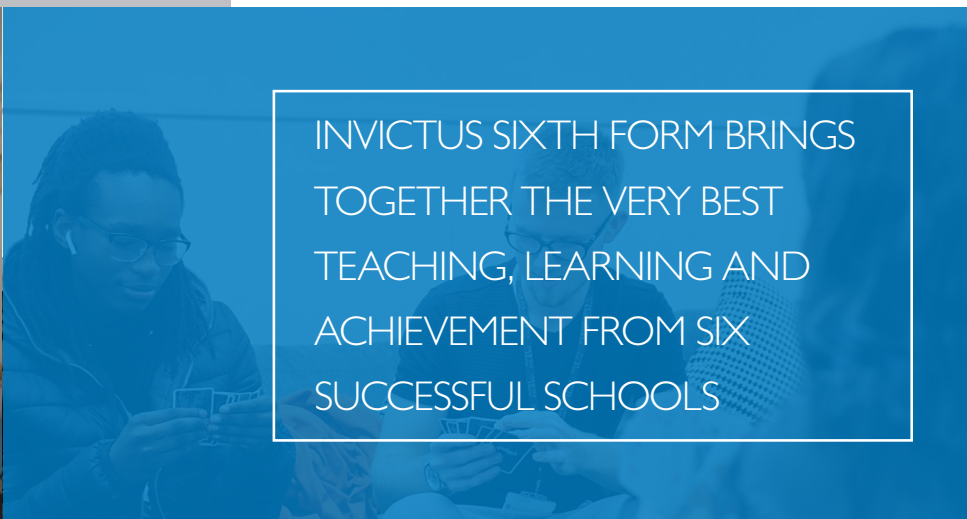
For those students wishing to study a BTEC only programme, the expectation is that you will achieve five grade 4s or above including English Language and Mathematics.

English Language and Mathematics requirements

The majority of students joining Invictus Sixth Form will have gained at least a Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics and English Language. In exceptional circumstances, you may be granted entry on a course without having gained a Grade 4 in English and / or Mathematics when it's deemed not to be detrimental to your success.

Entry without Grade 4 in English Language and Mathematics, will be at the discretion of the Director of Invictus Sixth Form.

Students without Grade 4 in English Language and/or Mathematics will be required to take the GCSE resit course alongside their other subjects. These lessons will form part of the enrichment programme.



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TEACHING, LEARNING AND
ACHIEVEMENT FROM SIX
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