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"Students in the sixth form enjoy studying here. In lessons, teachers use their subject knowledge to provide a curriculum that builds students' knowledge securely. Students are taught to study and use their time effectively."

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Our sixth form offers over 30 courses to choose from. We are a fully inclusive school that promotes students to be bold, brave and committed to their studies and future aspirations.

Teachers are invested in providing students with innovative learning opportunities that support students to widen their horizons and fully immerse themselves into sixth form.

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Welcome

Choosing a sixth form is a serious and considered decision that needs to be based on the whole experience the college can offer.

At Basildon Upper Academy we pride ourselves on ensuring a tailored approach to the individual's educational journey building in enrichment activities, leadership prospects and academic pursuits with exceptional careers guidance.



Rebecca Rees
Headteacher

Our aim is that our students who embark on their studies with us, remain with us leaving Year 13 with their personal goals and aspirations achieved with the support of a dedicated team who know them. We also welcome students who wish to study with us for the first time in Year 12, embracing the chance to get to know and support them too.



Advanced Pathway

The Advanced Pathway is bespoke to students who wish to study A Level and Level 3 Applied General qualifications.

These courses enable students to choose subjects that are tailored towards their future careers and supports students by investing in developing transferable skills.

All our Advanced Pathway students' study a minimum of three subjects over two years. Our Level 3 Applied General qualifications are a combination of exams and coursework, with students able to select a combination of A Level courses.

Our Sixth Formers receive a number of unique privileges, including a dedicated area for working and socialising, the chance to act as a role model for younger students, through mentoring schemes and outstanding careers advice, including guidance on UCAS and job applications.

The Advanced Pathway supports students to go on to university, higher education or graduate apprenticeships.



Kerry McCarthy
Assistant Headteacher Key 5



A Level Qualifications

COURSE	LEVEL	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
3D Design	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Grade 4 or above in an Art and Design or Creative Media GCSE. Portfolio assessment possible.
Accounting	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English. Grade 5 or above in Maths.
Art (Fine)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in an Art or Design based subject. Portfolio assessment possible.
Biology	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in English and Maths. Grade 6 or above in Science.
Chemistry	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in English and Maths. Grade 6 or above in Science.
Creative Media	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths.
Criminology (Applied)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Grade 4 in another written subject such as History, Geography or Media Studies.
Drama & Theatre Studies	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English. Level 2 pass in Performing Arts. Drama experience considered.
Engineering	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English. Grade 6 or above in Maths. Design experience essential.
English Literature	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in English. Grade 4 or above in Maths. Strong GCSE profile overall with a Grade 5 in another written subject such as History, Geography or Media Studies.

A Level Qualifications

COURSE	LEVEL	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Geography	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 in English and Maths. Grade 4 or above in Geography.
Graphic Design	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in an Art or Design based subject. Portfolio assessment possible.
History	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in English. Grade 4 or above in Maths. Strong GCSE profile overall.
Maths (Further)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in English. Grade 7 or above in Maths.
Photography	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Grade 5 or above in an Art based subject.
Physics	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in English and Maths. Grade 6 or above in Science.
Psychology	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 or above in English and Maths.
Sociology	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths.
Textiles	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Grade 5 or above in an Art based subject.

"Pupils say that everyone is valued here and treated with respect. Pupils appreciate the guidance and support that the school gives them to be the best they can be. As a result, there are positive relationships between staff and pupils."

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Applied General Qualifications

COURSE	LEVEL	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Business Studies	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Level 2 Pass or above in Business Studies.
Computing	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Level 2 qualification in a computer-based subject.
Esports	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Level 2 qualification in a computer-based subject.
Food, Science & Nutrition	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Ideally a Level 2 qualification in Catering.
Hairdressing	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 3 or above in English and Maths.
Information Technology	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Level 2 qualification in a computer-based subject.
Sport Studies	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Level 2 qualification in Sport Studies.







Engage Pathway

Our Intermediate Vocational Courses are designed specifically for students who have not yet secured a Grade 4 in English and/or Maths.

These one-year courses provide essential support in working towards achieving a GCSE Grade 4 or, the equivalent Functional Skills qualifications in both subjects.



Victoria Oddy
Director of Enhanced Provisions

Alongside academic progress, students will gain valuable hands-on experience in a range of vocational subjects, with qualifications available at Levels 1 and 2.

Upon completion, students will be well-prepared to move on to Level 3 courses or transition directly into the workplace, equipped with both the practical skills and academic foundation needed for success in their chosen path.



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Intermediate Vocational Qualifications

COURSE	LEVEL	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Bike Maintenance	1	• No specific entry requirements.
Construction	1	• No specific entry requirements.
Design Craft	1	• No specific entry requirements.
Early Years Practitioner	1	• No specific entry requirements.
Esports	1	• No specific entry requirements.
Hairdressing	2	• No specific entry requirements.
Health & Social Care	1	• No specific entry requirements.
Home Cooking Skills	1	• No specific entry requirements.
Information Technology	1	• No specific entry requirements.
Sports Studies	1	• No specific entry requirements.

"The school offers pupils a wide range of vocational courses as well as GCSE and A Level qualifications. Pupils are prepared well for the next stage of their education or employment."

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Student Vision

Our students are at the heart of the culture of sixth form. Students are given the opportunity to share their ideas and drive the vision of the sixth form through Student Voice. We want students to invest in academic study but also their own personal development.

In order to develop employability skills, students actively participate in Enrichment, PSHRE and online work experience.



"Pupils meet a range of employers and representatives from further education colleges. This helps pupils make well-informed choices about their next steps."

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Career Focus

The sixth form has developed links with industries locally and nationally, whereby students have been given exciting opportunities to gain invaluable work experience, with some students being offered employment once they have completed their studies.



Sixth form students are provided with their own dedicated study space and common room. This enables independent learning opportunities directly linked to their studies.



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