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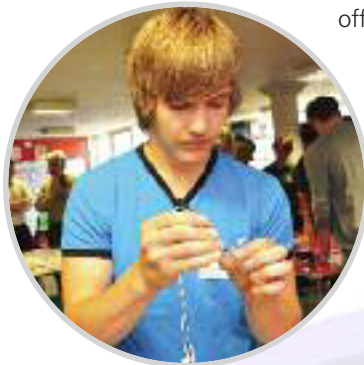


# The Thetford Academy SIXTH FORM

The Thetford Academy Sixth Form (TA6) is a fully inclusive Sixth Form, with the aim of delivering good quality relevant courses that meet the needs of all our students. There are three broad pathways of entry:

- Level 3 (Includes A levels and BTEC's): Allow access to university or further education, assessment based mainly on examination throughout and at the end of the course.
- Level 2 (Includes BTEC's and GCSE's): Allows progression to more advanced learning within TA6 and access to other further education courses.
- Level 1: Offering greater scope for the world of work or progression to more advanced learning within TA6.

We believe in putting the right students with the right courses and combining this with a personalised learning plan designed to suit the needs of each individual will allow every student to reach their potential. We are proud of the extensive experience, knowledge and commitment of our teaching staff at post - 16 level.



## Supporting You and Your Learning

Post 16 study at TA6 is very much about independent learning but that does not mean you won't have access to support when you need it.

As well as a personalised learning plan you will have access to the Deputy Director of Sixth Form, the office staff, learning support mentors, dedicated teaching staff and an experienced tutor. A personal tutor will be assigned to students to support, advise and guide each student through the demands of the post - 16 curriculum. This support structure will be available to you whenever you need it and we will offer guidance in a wide range of Sixth Form related issues.

The quality of provision is continually evaluated by both the staff and students giving honest feedback on all aspects of the curriculum and the additional activities and events that we offer you.



## Welcome to TA6

I'd like to thank you for selecting The Thetford Academy Sixth Form to continue your educational journey. The Sixth Form is rapidly going from strength to strength with new courses being brought online each year to suit the students of Thetford. Standards of achievement are being improved by rigorous tracking and monitoring along with support, if required. A dedicated team of staff, resources and new technologies gives every student the opportunity to achieve their aspirations. A new dimension to our Sixth Form provision means that we are developing an inspiring breadth of courses delivered with our sponsors at Easton College & West Suffolk College. I look forward to helping you along the next part of this exciting journey!

Dr R L Harris  
Director of Post - 16 Learning

# TA6

## Applications & Admissions

- Applications can be made online via [www.helpyouchoose.org](http://www.helpyouchoose.org). If you have any problems with applying online then application forms can be obtained from either the North or South main office. These need to be submitted by 1st December.
- Successful applicants will be called for interview to discuss their suitability within TA6. These interviews will be carried out by the Director of Post - 16 Learning, Head of TA6 and senior tutors
- If you are successful you will receive a conditional offer, subject to the GCSE grades you achieve in the summer.

## Induction Procedure

- On GCSE results day TA6 staff will be available to discuss any issues or concerns that may arise and confirm your position within TA6.
- We provide students with a one day induction program, which will involve getting to know the new environment, the staff and other students at TA6.
- Registration will also take place during induction, officially enrolling you onto courses and preparing you for the next exciting steps in your learning journey!



## Entry Requirements

The three pathways of study within TA6 each have their own specific entry requirements:

- Level 3: Students must achieve 5A\*-C including English & Maths with B's in relevant subject areas.
- Level 2: Students must achieve 3A\*-C with C's in a relevant subject area.
- Level 1: Applications are considered for any students who do not meet the criteria for Level 1&2.

If any subject is oversubscribed TA6 will give priority to:

- Students who attend The Thetford Academy
- The applicants best qualified for the courses they intend to study
- Those applicants who put TA6 as their first choice centre
- Applications that reach us by the designated deadline

## Welcome to The Thetford Academy

At the Thetford Academy Sixth Form we are sure that you will be able to find a course that will suit you as you continue with your education. Last year we secured our best A2 results ever and we are looking to build on that high standard in the forthcoming years. We want every student to be able to achieve what they are capable of and to realise their ambitions along the way. We will support our students with high quality careers advice and information about University and College education.

By 2013 the Thetford Academy Sixth Form will be located in part of our brand new building on the Croxton Road site. The Sixth Form will have their own Sixth Form area as well as access to specialist areas within the rest of the Academy. In addition to these facilities, we are also building a Sixth Form Social Area and Sixth Form will have access to the Academy Internet Café.

We look forward to seeing you at the Academy and answering any questions that you may have, in order that you are able to make the right decision for your future. I believe we have something for everyone here in Thetford and I know you will be able to find the course that will suit you.

Cathy Spillane

Principal





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