



10 February 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

S4/5 into S5/6 Course Choice

Thank you to all our parents who joined our S4/5 into S5/6 Course Choice Information Session on Wednesday 9 February. I do hope you found the information session helpful and are better informed to support your child's course choice. A copy of the presentation can be found here:

http://baldragon.ea.dundee.nhs.uk/school-information/documents/s4-s5-s6-course-choice-information-presentation/at_download/file

If you did not make it to our information session, then please ensure you visit our webpage and course choice dashboard:

[Course Choice Information \(google.com\)](#)

Here you will find all the information you need to help inform your child's course choice. There is very helpful information about all the courses available at Baldragon Academy, college options at Dundee and Angus College, the Senior Phase of Curriculum for Excellence and the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework, as well as helpful supports from Skills Development Scotland and Dundee City Council.

The Senior Phase course choice booklets can be found on the web page. Your child's course choice form is a digital Microsoft Form, and this must be completed and submitted online by **Friday 25 February 2022**.

Please access our course choice Forms from the following links:

S4 – S5 - <https://forms.office.com/r/rfg9w18DGx>

S5 – S6 - <https://forms.doffice.com/r/gmEzmnbcam>

When discussing and completing the course choice process with your child, please ensure you adhere to the following:

- Plan S5/S6 choices by considering how your child will progress from their current subjects.
- Base S5 choices on the subjects studied in S4.
- Ensure no attempt is made to repeat or 'crash' subjects.
- Be conscious that S6 offers the opportunity for greater breadth and flexibility of learning.
- Please ensure you both read the school and college course choice booklets.
- Consider how your child will make progress from their choices into the following year by using the 'S5 into S6 Choice by Column' document. This can be found on the webpage.
- Think about how any college options will impact your child's pathway in school, college or career. **There may not be progression beyond S5 and may limit your child's progression in school.**
- Understand that English, Mathematics, Core PE, SE and RME are mandatory subjects in S5/S6 for everyone. Your child must do these.
- A choice must be made in each column. You must also make a reserve choice in each column.
- Ensure all of your child's choices, including reserves, are based on those studied in previous years.

I do hope this information makes the process for you and your child straight forward and helpful.

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Should you have any questions about our S4/5 into S5/6 course choice process, then please contact your child's guidance teacher.

Yours faithfully,



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