

Glossopdale Sixth Form





Welcome



Glossopdale Sixth Form is a place where: 'Students...make good progress, both in their academic and vocational studies, and achieve well. Teachers have high expectations of students... teachers create positive environments, sharing their strong subject knowledge and challenging students to develop their independence and confidence. Teachers offer students clear guidance which helps students to deepen their understanding and skills. Students have very positive relationships with the teachers and the sixth-form leadership team. Students are supported well in their studies, both academically and personally. There is a wide range of personal development activities to raise students' aspirations.' Ofsted

Glossopdale School has a thriving and popular Sixth Form, offering around 200 students a wide range of academic and vocational courses, with excellent facilities in a state of the art new school. The place you choose to study for your post-16 qualifications is as important as the courses you take. At Glossopdale our Sixth Form provision is extensive and offers courses at A Level and Level 3 vocational courses. Your choice of courses will be tailored to suit your needs: they can be academic, vocational or a mixture of both. We also ensure students have the opportunity to build an array of qualifications outside the usual subject range such as The Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), Duke of Edinburgh Award and a range of online courses that develop independent learning skills.

You will find a wide range of courses to suit all abilities and ambitions, supporting your chosen career pathway and future aspirations. The teaching staff at Glossopdale Sixth Form are dedicated to working with you and giving you the support needed to succeed. We have a personal tutoring system that ensures students' progress is monitored effectively.

Glossopdale Sixth Form is based on the top floor of the school in a purpose build suite which encompasses an independent social and study area, seminar rooms, vocational rooms and a bespoke Sixth Form science lab. The School also has a Sixth Form Music Tech facility with a sound studio and a Creative Media suite with industry standard ICT equipment. The Performing Arts have always been an important part of our school community and our new school includes a purpose built drama studio with theatre and an impressive dance studio. For students interested in sport the new sports hall, fitness suite and all weather pitches ensure our students have access to the highest standards of facilities in the area.

With our impressive Sixth Form facilities, outstanding teaching and excellent results we are confident that we can offer you a successful route to university or employment.

D. McGloin Headteacher



The best Sixth Form in the area is right on your doorstep!

Students make excellent progress from GCSE starting points

Student financial support through our bursary scheme

Small classes, one to one teaching input and a supportive environment

Bespoke programme of leadership and enrichment for all students

Opportunities to support younger students with their progress

Specialist teachers and tailored curriculum to suit your specific needs and interests

100% Year 12 completion of our Work Experience Programme and weekly industry placements tailored to post-18 pathways

100% gain their university place and Oxbridge/Russell Group applicant support programme in place

Online resources at your fingertips

State of the art facilities including: fitness suite and all weather pitches, Dance Studio, Music Sound Studio, Sixth Form specific Science and Art facilities and independent Sixth Form café and study area



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'The support and encouragement is second to none! Teachers have very high expectations and can get you to work at your best'

Faye (Northern School of Dance, Leeds)





Your tailor-made pathway

Option 1 A Levels

You will study 3 or 4 subjects, across the two years and sit examinations at the end of the course. You may also choose to complete an EPQ to supplement your UCAS application. This pathway is suited to students who might be planning an application to a Russell Group university or competitive degree course.

Option 2 Mixed pathway

You will study a combination of A Level and vocational courses. You will study 3 courses over 2 years and be assessed via examination and coursework. This suits students who need vocational skills and experiences for university or their chosen career.

Option 3 Vocational Pathway

You will study vocational courses such as, Health, Sport, Criminology, Drama, Creative Media, Music Tech etc. You can take 3 as Extended Certificates - worth 1 A Level, or some courses are Diplomas (worth 2) or Extended Diplomas (worth 3.) Your lessons will be a mixture of practical skills and theory. You will be assessed by both examination and coursework assignments.

A Level Courses

Fine Art
Art Textiles
Biology
Business Studies
Chemistry
English Language
English Literature
English Lang/Lit combined
French
Geography
History
Computer Science
Maths
Further Maths
Physics
Photography
3D Product Design
Psychology & Forensics



Vocational Courses

Criminology
Film & Creative Media
Health and Social Care
Music Technology
Performing Arts: Dance
Performing Arts: Drama
Sport
Engineering

Other qualifications

Extended Project Qualification
GCSE Maths and English

Our full course directory can be found at

<https://www.glossopdale.school>

Email - sixthform@glossopdale.school



***I am what I am: an individual, unique and different..'* Charlie Chaplain**

At Glossopdale you will be treated as an **individual**. As well as the smaller class sizes, that allow for more **one-to-one teaching**, you will be placed on a programme of **support and guidance** that is second to none.

Everyone is allocated a **Personal Tutor** to act as a mentor to support your academic and personal development and you will meet with them regularly, on a one to one basis.

Subject Review Meetings take place every term where you will discuss your **progress** with your subject teachers and identify clear strategies to reach your **full potential**. You will be **supported** every step of the way!

You will be set **aspirational targets** based on performance data for the top 25% of results in the country as we understand you are **ambitious** to achieve your future pathways.

We value the **positive relationships** we develop with all our students in the Sixth Form - and many return year after year to visit and share their experiences with current students.



Nurturing our most able

We have a comprehensive programme of **stretch and challenge** as we know many of you will go on to attend **Russell Group Universities** and competitive degrees. We are proud of our growing reputation of developing successful **Oxbridge candidates**. We provide a bespoke programme for you which includes:

- Personal tutor programme to develop **leadership skills, communication and problem solving skills.**
- **Oxbridge outreach workshop**
- Workshops on how to write personal statements for **competitive degrees.**
- Established **Alumni** with past students from a wide range of degree and career sector.
- **Visits** to Russell Group Universities, including Manchester, Sheffield, Liverpool and networks with many others
- Regular **coaching** and guidance for university candidates and early entry degree courses.
- Issues Days that focus on UCAS processes and applying for competitive degrees
- Guest speakers to advise on **student finance, student life and postgraduate opportunities**
- A range of **extra qualifications** such as EPQ, Sports Coaching, First Aid, NCS graduate and DofE



'I successfully gained a place at The University of Cambridge, this was made possible by all of the support and guidance from my personal tutor and teachers'.

Ella



Glossop North End Education
Programme in partnership with

Glossopdale
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Looking for a career in sport or the
sports industry?

This course provides an excellent and varied programme giving you access to Higher Education or a wide variety of careers in Sport.

You will study either study a full time, Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport or, a mixed qualification with academic and vocational A Levels. This will be alongside training with GNE coaches.

On receipt of your application to study this course, you will be invited to attend an admissions interview and football assessment to discuss the course and its requirements further.

State of the art facilities including: fitness suite and all weather pitches, Dance Studio, Music Sound Studio, Sixth Form specific Science and Art facilities and independent Sixth Form café and study area

Our students' success is undoubtedly attributable to unrivalled, personalised support throughout their Post 16 journey. The Sixth Form team, Tutors, Careers advisors, dedicated counsellors and external links provide a professional network of support which enables students to flourish both academically and personally.

Whilst at Glossopdale Sixth Form, students will have access to many opportunities to experience life beyond Post 16 studies. No matter which career path a student may have in mind, we run 'Sixth Form Personal Development Days'; workshops delivered by a range of guest speakers who are leaders in their field. Students also get the chance to visit universities across the country, as well as gain an insight into their chosen career or study-related pathway during a week of focused work experience.



The Application Process.

Our entry criteria is usually 5 GCSE grades 4 -9, including English and Maths. In order for you to cope with the demands of the academic courses we recommend that at least a grade 6 is achieved in the academic A Level subjects you wish to study. There are many ways you can find out more about the Sixth Form and meet the staff you will be working with:

- Speak to our staff and students during the roadshows and assemblies in local schools.
- Attend Open Evening in October to find out more and learn about the application process
- Contact the Sixth Form directly to have a guided tour

Applications can be made online at;
<https://glossopdale.applicaa.com/sixthform>.

Applications should be submitted in October/November after the Open Evening. All applicants will be invited for interview to discuss their application and finalise choices (*subject to examination results in August*). Enrolment will take place on GCSE Results Day and successful applicants will be informed of the process nearer the time.

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Create Your Future!





Student voice speaks volumes!

"I came to Glossopdale from Longdendale, because I knew that the Sixth Form here was smaller and friendly and I would get the support I needed. I also knew that I wouldn't have to spend time each day travelling." Ella

"In Year 12 my teachers noticed that I struggled with certain aspects of my work and they requested a dyslexia assessment. This confirmed that I do have dyslexia and I was immediately given extra time, resources and support. I don't think this would have happened so quickly in a bigger college. I'm continuing my A levels in English, History and Sociology and I am on track to achieve my target grades." Sophie

"I went to Xavarian at first but when I came here a lot of effort was made to introduce me to other students so I didn't feel I was on my own." Alicia

"There is a lot of one to one time with all my teachers, small class sizes are great and it means you can ask questions and get support when needed." Daniel



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Aspire, Endeavour and Thrive Together