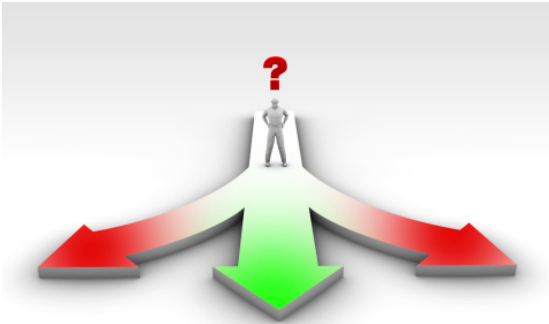




WALLACE HIGH SCHOOL

Options Evening ~ New S5/6 ~
February 7th 2019

- ◉ Mr Downie ~ UCAS (full Information Evening in September) ~ Head of new S5/6
- ◉ Mrs Harris & Mrs Buchanan ~ Leading with current S4
- ◉ Mr Campbell ~ Pupil Support Leader for current S5 ~ advises on options for year group
- ◉ Fiona Lafferty (Skills Development Scotland)
- ◉ Forth Valley College



Which
way
now???

Culture that
supports equity of
opportunity and
aspiration...

...BALANCED WITH EVIDENCE-BASED DECISIONS

- ⦿ *Aspiration;*
- ⦿ *Attainment*
- motivation;*
- effort...*

Possible Tensions

S5 & S6 OPTIONS

S5 2019/20

5 full subject courses (includes personalised arrangements - college etc.)

S6 2019/20

Minimum 4 core options (includes Sports Leader, Community Service, Peer Support, agreed personalised experience etc.)

+ 1 column of structured study

ENTRY TO COURSES

- ◉ NATIONAL 5 (SCQF 5) courses are designed to follow on from National 4 (SCQF 4)
- ◉ HIGHER (SCQF 6) courses are designed to follow on from National 5 (SCQF 5)
- ◉ ADVANCED HIGHER (SCQF 7) courses are designed to follow on from Higher (SCQF 6)

OPTIONS

- ◉ We attempt to provide a structure that ensures that we maximise access to first choice subjects
- ◉ Interviews are designed to support rigour when choosing to ensure the *BEST* choices are being made
- ◉ Where staffing/demand limits a choice in any subject we will discuss this and seek to ensure this is achievable over S5/6
- ◉ Advanced Higher period allocation and range depends on uptake

WHAT CHOICES?

- ◉ Depends on attainment in prior stage!
- ◉ Choose your *5 BEST* subjects
- ◉ University/college entrance qualifications?
- ◉ Plan courses over 2 years (S5 into S6)
- ◉ Are any subjects required for your chosen career?
- ◉ Pupil Support PT/ Subject Specialists/ SDS (Fiona Lafferty)/ My World of Work...

WHAT EVIDENCE INFORMS CHOICE?

- ◉ Performance this year (prior attainment)
- ◉ Class feedback and discussions
- ◉ Reporting and parental communications
- ◉ Discussions at home
- ◉ Course Choice Interviews: Tuesday 19th February and re-coursing in August following results



Qualifications by the end of S5

University of Strathclyde

Degree: e.g. BA Hons

Entry: **Minimum** 4 Highers + Nat 5 English and Maths

University of Aberdeen

Degree: Chemical Engineering BEng / Mechanical Engineering BEng

Entry: Highers BBBB. (B) in Maths and in Physics and/or Technological Studies (B).
Nat 5 English

Degree: History BA / Management Science BA

Entry: Highers BBBB. Nat 5 English (minimum)

University of Glasgow

Degree: Mechanical Engineering BEng / Civil Engineering BEng

Entry: Highers AAAAA in first sitting, including Maths and Physics

Degree: Veterinary Medicine and Surgery BVM&S

Entry: Highers AAAAA first sitting including Chemistry, Biology and either Physics or Mathematics. Chemistry (A) expected. Advanced Highers BB in Chemistry and Biology.

Degree: Business Economics MA (SocSci)

Entry: Highers AAAA first sitting.



UNIVERSITY & UCAS EXPECTATIONS

- For all students - Highers are your main entry qualifications but beware core National 5 minimum expectations - especially in English and Maths
- S6: beware the number of universities (Edinburgh etc.) that set requirements to complete courses even with an unconditional offer
- UCAS now write to schools stating they must be informed if students drop a subject



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Skills Development Scotland ~

My World of Work

Career Pathways & Entry Requirements

FVC:

Foundation Apprenticeships

College Options



QUESTIONS?