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Progression Policy 2021-2022

**Including Criteria for Optional Subjects
KS4 (Y10) & KS5 (Y12)**

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Criteria for progression from Year 7 to Year 11

1 A pass grade at this level represents grades 9 – 5.

2 Students will only be allowed to progress to the next year if they have passed ALL subjects with a grade 5 or higher.

3 If a student fails:

- 1 Subject – Students have the opportunity to resit* the subject in August. (Resit dates: 24th and 25th August 2022)
- 2 Subjects – Students have the opportunity to resit* the subjects in August. (Resit dates: 24th and 25th August 2022)
- 3 Subjects – Students have the opportunity to resit* the subjects in August. (Resit dates: 24th and 25th August 2022)
- 4 Subjects or more – **No resit opportunity.** The student's ONLY option will be to repeat the year or leave the school.

*In some subjects such as: Religion, Ethics, Personal Development and PE, resits may consist of a project to be handed in on the 24th and 25th August 2022.

4 If a student fails resits in August a 'Claustro' meeting (attended by SLT and the school Psychologist) will be held to decide if the student will be given the opportunity to repeat the year or not. Students cannot repeat a year more than once during their education at Caxton College.

Please note:

Progression is not solely based on academic achievement. Progression is also reliant on a student's ability to demonstrate the behaviour and maturity appropriate for the demands of the year group. As such, the school will also carefully consider student's behaviour grades, alongside academic achievement, when making decisions about progression.

Criteria for progression from Year 11 to Year 12

A pass grade at this level represents grades 9 – 5.

Students will only be allowed to progress to sixth form (Y12) if they meet the following requirements:

- Passed 5 GCSE subjects with a grade 5 or higher including English Language and Maths.
- Meet the criteria for the optional subjects chosen for Y12.
- Passed all internally assessed subjects.

If a student does not:

- Achieve 5 GCSEs with a grade 5 or higher, the student will either have to repeat Y11 or leave the school.
- Meet the criteria in order to access their optional subjects for Y12, the student will either have to change optional subjects, repeat Y11 or leave the school.
- Pass all internally assessed subjects, the student will have the opportunity to resit on the 24th and 25th of August 2022. Maximum of 3.

*Please note that in order to be awarded the Spanish Certificate of Secondary Education (ESO), which is compulsory to progress into Bachillerato in Spain, students are required to pass 4 GCSE subjects with a grade 4 or higher and the 3 COMPULSORY internally assessed Spanish subjects of Lengua Castellana, Ciencias Sociales and Valenciano.

Please note:

- Progression is not solely based on academic achievement. Progression is also reliant on a student's ability to demonstrate the behaviour and maturity appropriate for the demands of the year group. As such, the school will also carefully consider student's behaviour grades, alongside academic achievement, when making decisions about progression.
- Students cannot repeat a year more than once during their education at Caxton College.

Criteria for progression from Year 12 to Year 13

A pass grade at AS Level represents grades A – E.

Students will only be allowed to progress to Y13 if they meet the following requirements:

- Students applying to Universities outside Spain must pass a minimum of 2 British AS subjects, not including AS/A2 Spanish. Any AS subject failed will not be allowed to be taken to A2 level in Y13.
- Students applying for Spanish University entrance must pass a minimum of 2 British AS subjects, the additional compulsory A Level Spanish subject as well as the 2 internally assessed Spanish subjects (PCE) specific to university entrance.
- If a student fails one of these Spanish subjects (PCE), they will be given the opportunity to resit on the 24th and 25th of August 2022. Failing this resit, the student will not be able to study this option in Y13.

Please note:

- Progression is not solely based on academic achievement. Progression is also reliant on a student's ability to demonstrate the behaviour and maturity appropriate for the demands of the year group. As such, the school will also carefully consider student's behaviour grades, alongside academic achievement, when making decisions about progression.
- Students cannot repeat a year more than once during their education at Caxton College.

Summary of progression criteria from Year 7 to Year 12

YEAR	TO BE ALLOWED TO RESIT IN AUGUST	TO PROGRESS TO FOLLOWING YEAR
7-10	Maximum of 3 fails across all subjects in June.	No subjects failed.
11	Maximum of 3 fails in internally assessed subjects in June.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 GCSE subjects passed with a grade 5 including English Language and Maths. • Meet the criteria for the optional subjects chosen in Y12. • Passed all subjects internally.
12	Maximum 2 fails in Spanish subjects (PCE) in June.	Pass a minimum of 2 AS subjects (not including A2 Spanish).

Please note; A pass grade in the UK system is a grade 4 and therefore for convalidation purposes in Spain students would pass the year with a grade 4. However, to enable students to progress from one year to the next Caxton requires an end of Year grade of a 5. GCSEs and A Levels are academically very demanding and therefore it is essential students pass the year with a 5.

Criteria for choosing optional subjects for KS4

During Year 9, students will be asked to choose optional subjects to study at IGCSE level alongside English, Maths and Science. If students choose to study Double Award Science, they must choose 3 optional subjects. If students choose to study Separate Sciences they must then choose 2 optional subjects.

Please note that if the number of students that choose an IGCSE subject is less than five the group may not run.

This may be influenced by the following criteria:

Separate Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)	Passed the subject with a grade 6 in June.
Science Double Award	Passed the subject with a grade 5 in June.

GCSE SUBJECTS	REQUIREMENTS
Art and Design	Passed the subject with a grade 6 in June.
Business	Passed Maths and English with a grade 5 in June.
Computer Science	Passed English language with a grade 6 in June and a grade 7 in Maths.
English Literature	Passed English Language with a grade 5 in June.
French	Passed the subject with a grade 6 in June.
German	Passed the subject with a grade 6 in June.
Geography	Passed the subject with a grade 5 in June.
History	Passed the subject with a grade 5 in June.
Music	Obtained a grade 7 in Music in June. <i>Preferably at Grade 4 standard (ABRSM), which is equivalent to taking instrumental/vocal lessons for 4 years making steady progress throughout.</i>
PE	Passed the subject with a grade 5 in June.
Psychology	Passed Science with a grade 5 in June.

Criteria for choosing **optional subjects in KS5**

During Year 11, students will be asked to choose their A Level subjects. Subject choices will be based on which route students wish to follow.

- 1 Preparation for Non-Spanish University:** 3 British A Levels minimum.
- 2 Preparation for Spanish University:** 4 British A Levels including Spanish, 2 Spanish subjects for Prueba de Competencia Especifica (PCE).

Please note that if the number of students who choose an A Level or PCE subject is less than 5 the group may not run.

British Subjects

Students choose a minimum of 3 subjects from the following:

A LEVEL SUBJECTS	REQUIREMENTS
Art	Obtained a 6 in GCSE or a high quality portfolio.
Biology	Obtained a 6-6 in IGCSE Double Award Science or a 6 in Biology Separate Science.
Business	Obtained a 5 in IGCSE Business <i>*If no IGCSE Business; a grade 6 in English and 6 in Maths must be obtained.</i>
Chemistry	Obtained a 6-6 in IGCSE Double Award Science or a 6 in Chemistry Separate Science.
English Literature	Obtained a grade 5 in English Literature. <i>*If no IGCSE English Lit, a grade 6 in IGCSE English language must be obtained.</i>
Further Maths	Obtained an 8 in IGCSE Maths or Further Maths. Must take Maths A Level in order to choose this option.
Geography	Obtained a 5 in IGCSE Geography. <i>*If no IGCSE Geography, a grade 7 in English must be obtained and a summer project must be completed.</i>
German/French	Obtained a 6 in all parts of the IGCSE German/French exam (reading, writing, speaking & listening).
History	Obtained a 5 in IGCSE History. <i>*If no IGCSE History, a grade 6 in English must be obtained and a summer project must be completed.</i>
Maths	Obtained a 7 in IGCSE Maths.
Music	Obtained a grade 6 in GCSE Music, and a minimum of a grade 5 instrumental or voice level.
PE	Obtained a grade 5 in GCSE PE. <i>*If no GCSE PE, a 6-6 in IGCSE Double Award Science+ grade 6 in English must be obtained.</i>
Philosophy	Obtained a grade 6 in English
Physics	Obtained a 6-6 in IGCSE Double Award Science or a 6 in Physics Separate Science.
Psychology	Obtained a 5 in IGCSE Psychology <i>*If no GCSE Psychology, a 5 in IGCSE Maths + a grade 5 in English must be obtained and a summer project must be completed.</i>
Sociology	Obtained a grade 6 in English.

Spanish Subjects (PCE)

Students choose 2 subjects from the following:

SUBJECTS	REQUIREMENTS/ RECOMMENDATIONS
Biología	Obtained a 5-5 in IGCSE Double Award Science. Recommended to choose A Level Biology.
Dibujo Técnico	Must take Matemáticas Técnicas. For students interested in Design, this subject is complemented by Art, Historia del Arte and Fundamentos del Arte.
Economía	Obtained a 5 in IGCSE Maths. This subject is complemented by Geografía, Business, Maths (Statistics) and Computer Science.
Fundamentos del Arte	Recommended to choose A Level Art, History and Dibujo Técnico
Geografía	Recommended to choose A Level Geography, Business, History and Sociology
Matemáticas Aplicadas	Obtained a 5 in IGCSE Maths. Highly recommended to choose A Level Maths (Statistics).
Matemáticas Técnicas	Obtained a 6 in IGCSE Maths. This subject is complemented by Maths (Mechanics), Further Maths and Physics.
Química	Obtained a 5-5 in IGCSE Double Award Science + a 5 in Maths. Highly recommended to choose A Level Chemistry. Recommended to choose A Level Maths.

