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# ***Progression Policy 2023-2024***

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



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# Criteria for progression from Year 7 to Year 10

**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: 29th & 30th August 2024)
- 2 Subjects – Students have the opportunity to resit\* the subjects in August. (Resit dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)
- 3 Subjects – Students have the opportunity to resit\* the subjects in August. (Resit dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)
- 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 30th August 2024.

**4** If a student fails resits in August a 'Claustro' meeting 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 10 to Year 11

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

**Students will be allowed to progress into Year 11, if they have passed ALL subjects with a grade 5 or higher:**

If a student fails:

- 1 Subject – Students have the opportunity to resit\* the subject in August. (Resits dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)
- 2 Subjects – Students have the opportunity to resit\* the subjects in August. (Resits dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)
- 3 Subjects – Students have the opportunity to resit\* the subjects in August. (Resits dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)
- 4 Subjects or more – a ‘Claustro’ meeting will be held to decide if the student will be given the opportunity to progress into Year 11, repeat Year 10 or leave the school. In these cases, students should resit the exams (Resits dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)

Science double award information: If a student fails one of the three Science subjects, Biology, Chemistry or Physics, they must resit the exam in August even though they have passed the double award Science.

\*In Religion, Ethics, Personal Development and PE, re-sits consist of a project to be handed in on the 30th of August 2024.

If a student fails re-sits in August a ‘Claustro’ will be held to decide if the student will be given the opportunity to progress into Year 11, repeat Year 10 or leave the school. 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. Students cannot repeat a year more than once during their education at Caxton College.

# Criteria for progression from Year 11 to Year 12

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

**Students will be allowed to progress into Year 12, if they have passed 5 British subjects with a grade 5 or higher, including English and Maths, passed internal assessed subjects; Lengua, Sociales & Valenciano and met the requirements for the subjects to be taken at A level.**

If a student fails, the internally assessed subjects:

- 1 Subject – Students have the opportunity to resit\* the subject in August. (Resits dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)
- 2 Subjects – Students have the opportunity to resit\* the subjects in August. (Resits dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)
- 3 Subjects or more – a ‘Claustro’ meeting will be held to decide if the student will be given the opportunity to progress into Year 12, repeat Year 11 or leave the school. In these cases, students should resit the exams (Resits dates: 29th & 30th August 2024)

Students **will only receive the ESO certificate** in Year 11 if they have passed four British subjects with a grade 4 or higher and passed the internal subjects: Lengua, Sociales & Valenciano with a grade 5 or higher.

## **Please note:**

- If a student achieves a grade 4 in English and/or Maths, have at least 5 IGCSE grades with a 5 or more and meets the criteria for the subjects chosen at A level, a claustro will be held to decide if the student can progress or not.
- 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 30th & 31st of August 2024. 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
<b>7-10</b>	Maximum of 3 fails across all subjects in June.	No subjects failed.
<b>10-11</b>	3 or more fails.	A claustro will be conducted.
<b>11</b>	Maximum of 3 fails in internally assessed subjects in June.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 GCSE subjects passed with a grade 5 including English Language and Maths.</li> <li>• Meet the criteria for the optional subjects chosen in Y12.</li> <li>• Passed all subjects internally.</li> </ul>
<b>12</b>	Maximum 2 fails in Spanish subjects (PCE) in June.	Pass a minimum of 2 AS subjects (not including A2 Spanish).

Please note; A 'standard' 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, which is considered a 'Good' pass in the UK.



# 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:

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

<b>GCSE SUBJECTS</b>	<b>REQUIREMENTS</b>
<b>Art and Design</b>	Passed the subject with a grade 6 in June.
<b>Business</b>	Passed Maths and English with a grade 5 in June.
<b>Computer Science</b>	Passed English language with a grade 6 in June, a grade 7 in Maths and achieved at least a 7 in Computing..
<b>English Literature</b>	Passed English Language with a grade 5 in June.
<b>French</b>	Passed the subject with a grade 6 in June.
<b>German</b>	Passed the subject with a grade 6 in June.
<b>Geography</b>	Passed the subject with a grade 5 in June.
<b>History</b>	Passed the subject with a grade 5 in June.
<b>Music</b>	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>
<b>PE</b>	Passed the subject with a grade 5 in June.
<b>Psychology</b>	Passed Science with a grade 5 in June.

**Please note:**

1. We aim to get 100% satisfaction for students choosing their 3 preferred GCSE options, however in the case that the combination is not possible, a student may be asked to make another option choice.
2. an I/GCSE group may not run if the number of students who choose the subject is less than 5. This will be identified following the submission of all students options in January.

## 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 International Universities:** 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:**

1. We aim to get 100% satisfaction for students choosing their preferred A level options, however in the case that the combination is not possible, a student may be asked to make another option choice.
1. **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
<b>Art</b>	Obtained a 6 in GCSE or a high quality portfolio.
<b>Biology</b>	Obtained a 6-6 in IGCSE Double Award Science or a 6 in Biology Separate Science.
<b>Business</b>	Obtained a 5 in IGCSE Business <i>*If no IGCSE Business; a grade 6 in English and 6 in Maths must be obtained.</i>
<b>Chemistry</b>	Obtained a 6-6 in IGCSE Double Award Science or a 6 in Chemistry Separate Science.
<b>English Literature</b>	Obtained a grade 5 in English Literature. <i>*If no IGCSE English Lit, a grade 6 in IGCSE English language must be obtained.</i>
<b>Further Maths</b>	Obtained an 8 in IGCSE Maths or Further Maths. Must take Maths A Level in order to choose this option.
<b>Geography</b>	Obtained a 6 in IGCSE Geography. <i>*If no IGCSE Geography, a grade 7 in English must be obtained and a summer project must be completed.</i>
<b>German/French</b>	Obtained a 7 in all parts of the IGCSE German/French exam (reading, writing, speaking & listening).
<b>History</b>	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>
<b>Maths</b>	Obtained a 7 in IGCSE Maths.
<b>Music</b>	Obtained a grade 6 in GCSE Music, and a minimum of a grade 5 instrumental or voice level.
<b>PE</b>	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>
<b>Philosophy</b>	Obtained a grade 5 in English
<b>Physics</b>	Obtained a 6-6 in IGCSE Double Award Science or a 6 in Physics Separate Science.
<b>Psychology</b>	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>
<b>Sociology</b>	Obtained a grade 5 in English.
<b>Spanish</b>	Obtained a 7 in IGCSE Spanish.

# Spanish Subjects (PCE)

Students choose 2 subjects from the following:

SUBJECTS	REQUIREMENTS/ RECOMMENDATIONS
<b>Biología</b>	Obtained a 5-5 in IGCSE Double Award Science or 5 in Biology separated Sciences. Recommended to choose A Level Biology. <sup>9</sup> .
<b>Dibujo Técnico</b>	Matemáticas Técnicas is highly recommended. For students interested in Design, this subject is complemented by Art, Historia del Arte and Fundamentos del Arte.
<b>Economía</b>	Obtained a 5 in IGCSE Maths. This subject is complemented by Geografía, Business, Maths (Statistics) and Computer Science.
<b>Fundamentos del Arte</b>	Recommended to choose A Level Art, History and Dibujo Técnico.
<b>Geografía</b>	Recommended to choose A Level Geography, Business, History and Sociology.
<b>Matemáticas Aplicadas</b>	Obtained a 6 in IGCSE Maths. Highly recommended to choose A Level Maths (Statistics).
<b>Matemáticas Técnicas</b>	Obtained a 7 in IGCSE Maths. This subject is complemented by Maths (Mechanics), Further Maths and Physics.
<b>Química</b>	Obtained a 5-5 in IGCSE Double Award Science or 5 in Chemistry separated Sciences and a 5 in Maths. Highly recommended to choose A Level Chemistry. Recommended to choose A Level Maths.

