

The Key Stage 4 Curriculum at The Totteridge Academy is broad and balanced with a strong core in English, Mathematics and Science. We also meet the DfE requirements of Religious Education and teach Philosophy, Religion and Ethics up to GCSE. Alongside this core, students choose from a selection of interesting and high-value option subjects.

With our expertise and guidance, students can liaise with parents and families to make informed decisions about which option subjects they choose. The students are given free choice in terms of their additional subjects which include the Ebacc pathway of French / Spanish and History / Geography, as well as a well-considered range of foundation subjects, which are outlined below. Our curriculum has been created to provide our students with rigorous, exciting, and challenging courses that successfully prepare them for further study and career options. Students at The Totteridge Academy will not sit meaningless qualifications which do not help to take them anywhere.

The full list of options that can be chosen at the end of Year 9 is below:

Art or Photography	Food and Nutrition	Music
Computer Science	French	Physical Education
Design Technology	Geography	Spanish
Drama	History	Separate Science

We believe the optimum number of qualifications studied by our students to be 9. This will help ensure that, in addition to exam success, our students are given the time and opportunity to develop intellectually, plus engage fully in our extra-curricular and PSHE offer to become well-rounded citizens within the school community and beyond. The Extra-Curricular opportunities at The Totteridge Academy include our unique partnership with the charity GROW, plus competitive sports teams, domestic and international trips, school shows and many more clubs available to students.

Subjects studied and time allocations at KS4:

	Fortnightly lesson allocation (100 minute sessions	
Subject	Year 10	Year 11
English	6	6
Maths	5	5
Science	6	6
P.E.	2	2
Philosophy, Religion & Ethics	2	2
Option A	3	3
Option B	3	3
Option C	3	3
PSHCE / RSE	3.5	3.5

In Year 11, students will have the opportunity to engage in our Prep curriculum after school. This can take the form of targeted sessions which support students in specific subject areas, or Study Hall to facilitate independent study and develop high quality revision skills.