

# Options Evening



DBGS 2016-17

# Option Subjects Rationale

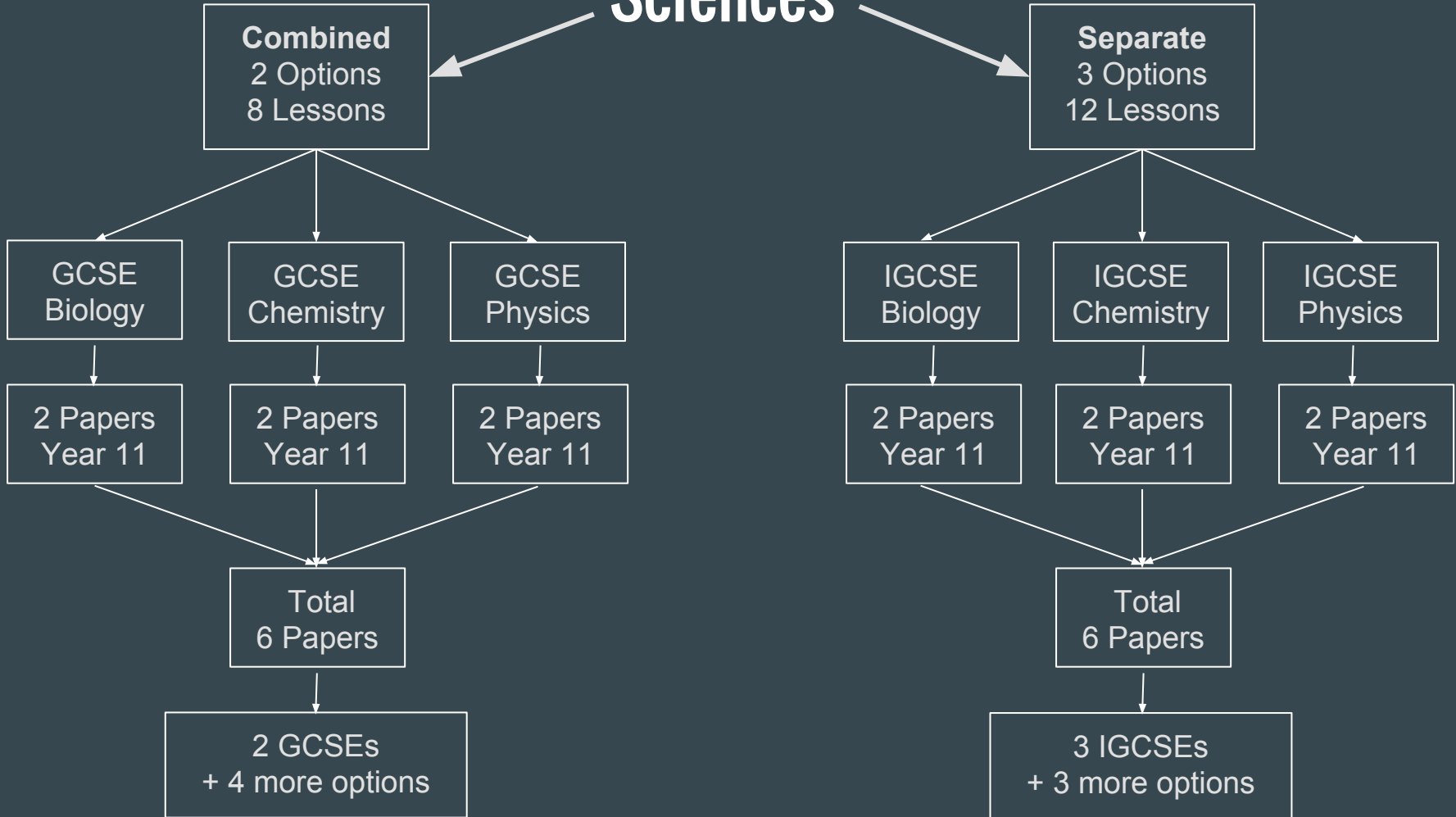
- The school offers a broad range of subjects to suit a wide range of abilities.
- Students are expected to finish a minimum of 9 subjects by the end of KS4.
- Some subjects are compulsory while others run in option blocks.
- Options will run based on numbers (a minimum number of students are required to make a course viable)
- Some options involve coursework, practical work, or both.
- All option courses are two year programmes.
- Examination fees are paid by parents in Year 11, before exams start.

# Compulsory Subjects

These subjects form a compulsory core elements of KS4 programme

- English Language
- English Literature
- Maths
- Sciences (Combined or Separate)
- PSHE (no external examination)
- Core PE (no external examination)
- Ministry Required Studies

# Sciences



# Option Subjects

Students are required to select additional options from the following :

## Subjects with no coursework:

- Arabic as first language\*
- Business Studies
- Computer Science
- Economics
- French
- Geography
- History
- Psychology

\* minimum requirement of language proficiency

## Subjects with practical/coursework

- Art & Design (Fine Art)
- Design Technology (Resistant Material-RM)
- Design Technology (Electronic Products-EP)
- Drama
- Music
- Physical Education

# Subjects with Coursework

Subject	Written Exam	Coursework
Design Technology (RM)	40%	60%
Design Technology (EP)	40%	60%
Drama	40%	60%
Music	40%	60%
Physical Education	40%	60%

Art & Design: 10 hrs exam, 6 weeks preparatory studies

# Exam boards

CIE [www.cie.org.uk](http://www.cie.org.uk)

- [Business Studies](#) IGCSE
- [Computer Science](#) IGCSE
- [Economics](#) IGCSE
- [French](#) IGCSE
- [Geography](#) IGCSE
- [Maths](#) IGCSE
- [Physical Education](#) IGCSE

Edexcel [www.edexcel.com](http://www.edexcel.com)

- [Arabic as first language\\*](#) IGCSE
- [Art & Design](#) IGCSE
- [Combined Science](#) GCSE
- [Design Technology \(RM\)](#) GCSE
- [Design Technology \(EP\)](#) GCSE
- [Drama](#) GCSE
- [English Language](#) IGCSE
- [English Literature](#) IGCSE
- [History](#) IGCSE
- [Music](#) GCSE
- [Separate Sc. \(Bio - Chem - Phy\)](#) IGCSE
- [Psychology](#) GCSE

# Grading

- CIE grading system remains the same A\* - U
- Edexcel grading system is changing to 9 - 1 scale



# Option Blocks

Block A	Block B	Block C	Block D	Block E	Block F
Combined Sciences	Combined Sciences	Physics	Physics	Arabic	(EP) Design Technology
Biology	Chemistry	Business Studies	History	Computer Science	Economics
		(RM) Design Technology	Art	Geography	PE
		Drama	Music	French	Psychology

# What Next?

Making a decision

- whose decision?
- changed your mind!
- your choice is not possible - talk to us.

Complete the [enrolment form](#)

Submit it by Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> of March

We will confirm your place and options by the end of term