



# Post-16 Opportunities



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# Post-16 Destinations

- Employment
  - Training course
  - Apprenticeships
  - Other school
  - Regional college
  - Stay at Parkhall Integrated College
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- Studies show that, for workers over the age of 25:
    - those who have qualifications above A level standard (e.g. degrees, HNDs and HNCs) earn more on average than those who have completed an apprenticeship
    - those who have completed an apprenticeship earn more on average than those whose highest qualifications were A levels
    - those whose highest qualifications were A levels earn more on average than those whose highest qualifications were GCSEs at grade A\* to C.



# Why Post-16 at Parkhall?

- Parkhall Integrated College opened its sixth form in September 2017
- Pupils have the opportunity to follow a suitable curriculum with collaborative courses running jointly with Antrim Grammar School
- Improved parental choice to ensure children access high quality and appropriate post-16 education in their own locality
- Security of knowing the environment for post-16 education
- Fantastic new facilities
- Equality of choice in comparison with neighbouring towns



# Course Structure and Type of Study

- All courses are level 3
- A level (single award) or A level (double award)
- BTEC Extended certificate (1 A level) or Diploma (2 A levels)
- Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate (1 A level)
- A = Distinction      C = Merit      E = Pass
- Courses are modular in nature, either exam or assignment-based, so there are deadlines
- Disciplined and structured use of time



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# Entrance Criteria

- Minimum of 5 grade C subjects or equivalents
- At least a grade C in English or Maths and a D in the other
- Opportunity to resit Maths or English
- Some subjects will ask for a B grade
- Some subjects require a previous knowledge at KS4
- Numbers in classes must be feasible
- A good record of attendance, punctuality and behaviour
- Antrim Grammar School will require set criteria



# Education Maintenance Allowance

- For pupils continuing in further education - criteria provided
- Weekly allowance of £30, paid every two weeks
- Based on attendance
- Performance-based bonus in January and June upon achieving targets
- EMA will not affect any family benefits
- 'The Little Book of EMA' 2021/22
- Begin applications mid-March (evidence and bank details)
- <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/>

The image shows the cover of a guide titled 'The little book of EMA'. At the top, it says 'EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)' and includes logos for the Department for the Economy and the Department of Education. The title 'The little book of EMA' is in pink, followed by the subtitle 'All you need to know about getting EMA in academic year'. Below this, there is a section titled 'What is EMA?' with a brief description of the allowance and its payment schedule. It also mentions performance-based bonuses and states that getting EMA won't affect other benefits. At the bottom, there is a call to action to read more about EMA and the website address www.nidirect.gov.uk. The cover features a decorative pattern of pink and blue hexagons on the right side.

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**What is EMA?**  
Education Maintenance Allowance is a **weekly allowance of £30 to help 16, 17, 18 and 19 year olds** with the costs of further education. Payments are made every 2 weeks as long as you continue to meet your school or college's attendance requirements.  
There are also 2 performance based bonuses of £100 normally paid out in January and June.  
**Getting EMA won't affect any benefits you or your family already receive.**

**Read this guide to find out more about EMA**

[www.nidirect.gov.uk](http://www.nidirect.gov.uk)



# Sixth-form Life

- Exclusive facilities: computer room and study room
- General study periods
- Youth area fully equipped with kettle, microwave, table-tennis tables, X-Box, etc.
- Common room committee and sixth-form formal





# Opportunities

- Full sixth-form induction
- Study-skills workshops
- Enrichment programme
- Head of year support and sixth-form study supervision
- EMA support
- Leadership opportunities
- Post-18 support including UCAS guidance, visits, interviews and personal statement mentors
- Drop-in clinics
- External links e.g. Queen's Pathway Programme, Nursing links at Queen's University, Antrim Area Hospital, Radox, reflexology
- Work experience





# University Offers/Interviews

## Northern Ireland

- **Queen's University**

BSc (Hons) Business, BSc (Hons) Business and Marketing, BSc (Hons) IT, BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult)

- **Ulster University**

BSc (Hons) Social Policy with Sociology, BSc (Hons) Criminology and Criminal Justice , BSc (Hons) HR Management, BSc (Hons) Business Management, BSc (Hons) Business with Marketing, BS (Hons) Business and Accountancy, BSc (Hons) Computer Science, BA (Hons) Fine Art, BA Law with Criminology, BA Law, BSc (Hons) Software Engineering, BSc (Hons) Biology, BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science, BSc (Hons) Pharmaceutical Bio-sciences, BSc (Hons) Politics with Criminology, BSc (Hons) Psychology

- **Stranmillis University College**

BEd Early Childhood Studies

- **Belfast Met**

Foundation Degree in Health, Physical Activity and Sport



# University Offers/Interviews

## England

- **University of Central Lancashire** - BSc (Hons) Neuroscience - *Unconditional Offer and Scholarship*, Football Business, BA (Hons) Business and Football Management, BA (Hons) Business and Finance
- **York University** - BSc (Hons) Archaeology
- **Keel University** - BSc (Hons) Neuroscience
- **University of East London** - Criminology and Criminal Justice
- **University of Chester** - BSc (Hons) Cybersecurity
- **Northumbria University** - BSc (Hons) Social Sciences, BA Law
- **Edge Hill University** - BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult), BSc (Hons) Film & TV Production (Unconditional Offer)
- **Liverpool John Moores University** - BEd Education and Inclusion, BSc (Hons) Accountancy and Finance, BSc (Hons) Criminology and Sociology, BA Law
- **Liverpool Hope University** - BEd Education and Inclusion, Education and Sport & Physical Education, BSc (Hons) Criminology and Social Policy, BSc (Hons) Sport & Exercise Science
- **Cumbria University** - BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science
- **University Campus of Football Business** - BA (Hons) Football Business and Finance



# University Offers/Interviews

## Wales

- **University of Wales**

BA (Hons) Film Production - *Unconditional Offer*

- **University of South Wales**

MA Chiropractic (Including Foundation Year), BSc (Hons) Sports Coaching and Development, BSc (Hons) Sports and Coaching Development

## Scotland

- **University of Dundee**

BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental Health), BSc (Hons) Nursing (Children's)

- **St. Margaret's University, Edinburgh** - BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult)

- **Edinburgh Napier University** - BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental Health), BSc (Hons) Nursing (Children's), BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult)

## USA

Football Scholarship





## Sixth-form Subject Information for Parents





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Thank you for your interest



# Testimonial

“If I had to choose my pathway again, I would still definitely choose sixth form at Parkhall”

Former pupil Hannah Moxen