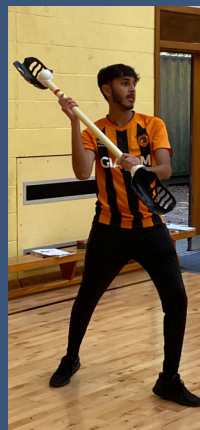




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We are an inclusive and aspirational community. We work hard to give you the very best experience possible thanks to our focus on high expectations and working towards being one's best.

Our position as one of the leading Sixth Forms in the East Midlands is very much based on the achievements of our Sixth Formers. We want you to be independent, free-thinking, well qualified individuals who are confident in your ability to make your way in the World, following the courses, careers and lives of your choice.

We offer a broad programme of activities that help to develop those essential life skills which aren't assessed by an exam: leadership, resilience, determination, problem solving, creativity and empathy.

If you choose to study your A levels with us you will appreciate the partnership that Sixth Formers have with your teachers, we will also look to you to give a lead to our younger students.

You may not have made a firm decision about your future yet but we hope by joining us, you will give yourself the best chance to succeed, as well as enjoying developing new interests and making new friends.



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Head of Sixth Form



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Head of Year 12

Our students' successes

- ✓ Sunday Times Parent Power East Midlands Secondary State School of the Decade (2021)
- ✓ Real Schools Guide: Top Performing School in Lincolnshire (2019)
- ✓ Sunday Times Parent Power: Top performing state school in the East Midlands (2019)
- ✓ 100% parent and student happiness rating: Ofsted
- ✓ Most recent accountability measure (2019) – 68% A*-B with 42.1% of grades at A or A*
- ✓ Best performing state or independent school Sixth Form for A level outcomes within 90 minutes' drive
- ✓ 95% of students achieved their first or second choice university place in 2020
- ✓ 47% of students achieved AAB in at least two facilitating subjects in 2019
- ✓ Rated Outstanding by Ofsted four times in out last four inspections
- ✓ Read our 2018 entry in The Good School's Guide (available on the school website) to get a sense of our students



Our A level courses

We are a School Sixth Form offering a broad range of A level courses that will put you in a very strong position to access higher education, apprenticeships or employment.

In September 2021, we intend to offer the following A levels:

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| — Art | — French | — Maths |
| — Biology | — Further Mathematics | — Philosophy & Ethics (RS) |
| — Chemistry | — Geography | — Physics |
| — Classical Civilisation | — German | — Psychology |
| — Computer Science | — Government & Politics | — Sports and Physical Education |
| — Design and Technology | — History | — Extended Project Qualification |
| — English Literature | — Music | |

More details about exam boards and individual entry requirements can be found in our Sixth Form booklet.



Pastoral care and house system

We place a great deal of importance on our pastoral system. You'll be placed into smaller form groups, led by a tutor who will guide you through your two years with us.

As well as your tutor, you will be placed in one of three houses:

Ayscough

Hansard

Rawlinson

Sixth Form students play a leading role in the management of house teams. Annually we run whole school competitions in Music, Cross Country, Drama & Athletics, where the Houses battle it out against each other. Other competitions include chess, public speaking, netball, football – to name but a few! Sixth Form students take on roles as captains, directors/editors, officials, artists and often writers.





Personal Development

Our students flourish during their time with us because they take the opportunity to take part in the wider life of the School, developing independence and responsibility along the way.

Students that make the most of their time show commitment to both their extra-curricular activities and their studies. We place a lot of emphasis on personal responsibility to develop the skills needed beyond the Sixth Form – leadership, resilience, determination, problem solving, creativity and empathy.

Some of the ways that you can take part include:

- Sixth Form & School Council help shape Sixth Form and school life
- Prefecting roles to help the school run smoothly
- Sixth Form Ball Committee - an annual event in our calendar
- House officials, promoting House events
- Train as a student Mentor, to support younger students
- Sports & Performing Arts Leadership
- A highly rated Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme with a dedicated DofE manager.
- Volunteering in the local community
- Engaging with local charity projects
- Work experience

In short, throughout your time in CGS Sixth Form you will be encouraged to leave your legacy on the life of the School and the wider community.



Next steps

Students study 3 or 4 A levels to gain a place at university. However, in recent years we have also supported students applying for competitive apprenticeships, post-A level employment and GAP years.

We encourage you to undertake lots of research before committing to your preferred place of study or employment. We offer a bespoke UCAS service to give you the best chance at being offered a place at the institution of your choice. We offer students specialist support for courses where the offer of a place is determined by a pre-offer interview (Oxbridge and Medicine/Veterinary/ Dentistry).

If you decide to take a gap year and wish to submit a post-Sixth Form application, we will support you with that too.

Entry requirements All applicants must have:

- A GCSE grade 4 in Maths and English Language or Literature
- 4 GCSE passes at least at Grade 6
- Applicants must meet the minimum requirements for individual subjects
- We also accept other Level 2 qualifications (including iGCSEs and BTecs) but please contact us if you are in doubt for reassurance



Application process

We welcome applications from students from a number of schools in the area.

November

Learn about the subjects from current students and their teachers as well as learning about what makes CGS an impressive place to study.

February

Submit your online application form to the School by the end of February to enable us to build a timetable based on your choices. (We do not restrict students' choices).

March

We will write to you in late March to confirm that our timetable can accommodate your three or four A level choices. We will ask you to express a definite interest in joining us.

Students can apply to access the 16-19 Bursary Fund, based on household income.

You can also apply for a travel bursary with our transport providers if your household income is below c£25,00 per annum. Specific details are on the form.

**We seek to use lively minds, to work hard, to develop
all our talents and to grow through sharing, to be the
best version of ourselves.**

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