



ALCESTER ACADEMY

KS4 COURSES

SEPTEMBER 2026

Subject	Exam Board	Course Code	QAN Code	Exams/Units	Weighting
GCSE Art & Design (Fine Art J171) (Photography J173)	OCR	J171/J173	601/8086/9	01 - Portfolio 02 - Exam	01 - 120 marks - 60% 02 - 80 marks - 40%
GCSE Biology (Foundation & Higher)	AQA	8461	601/8752/9	Paper 1 - 1hr 45 Paper 2 - 1hr 45	Paper 1 - 100 marks - 50% Paper 2 - 100 marks - 50%
GCSE Chemistry (Foundation & Higher)	AQA	8462	601/8757/8	Paper 1 - 1hr 45 Paper 2 - 1hr 45	Paper 1 - 100 marks - 50% Paper 2 - 100 marks - 50%

GCSE Combined Science: Trilogy (Foundation & Higher) (Double Award)	AQA	8464	601/8758/X	Biology - Paper 1 + 2 Chemistry - Paper 1 + 2 Physics - Paper 1 + 2	Each paper - 70 marks - 16.7%
GCSE Computer Science	OCR	J277	601/8355/X	Paper 1 - 1hr 30 Paper 2 - 1hr 30	Paper 1 - 80 marks 50% Paper 2 - 80 marks 50%
Cambridge National Creative iMedia	OCR	J834	603/7090/7	R093 - Exam - 1hr 30 - June Y11 R094 02 - NEA - June Y10 R099 - NEA - June Y11	R093 - 70 marks - 40% R094 - 30% R099 - 30%
GCSE Design & Technology	AQA	8552	603/0984/2	Unit 1 - Exam - 2hr Unit 2 - NEA	Unit 1 - 100 marks - 50% Unit 2 - 100 marks - 50%
GCSE English Language	AQA	8700	601/4292/3	Paper 1 - 1hr 45 Paper 2 - 1hr 45 (+ spoken lang submission)	Paper 1 - 80 marks - 50% Paper 2 - 80 marks - 50%
GCSE English Literature	AQA	8702	601/4447/6	Paper 1 - 1hr 45 Paper 2 - 2hrs 15	Paper 1 - 64 mark - 40% Paper 2 - 96 marks - 60%
GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition	WJEC	C560P1 (written) C560P2 (onscreen) C560P2	601/8093/6	Component 1 - Exam - 1hr 45 Component 2 - NEA	Component 1 - 50% Component 2 - 50%

GCSE French (Foundation & Higher)	AQA	8652	601/8157/6	Paper 1 - Listening - F35/H45m Paper 2 – Speaking F7-9mins H 10-12mins Paper 3 - Reading - F45m/H1hr Paper 4 - Writing - F1hr 10/H1hr 15	Listening - F 40 marks H 50 marks - 25% Speaking - 50 marks - 25% Reading - 50 marks - 25% Writing - 50 marks - 25%
Level 2 Certificate Further Maths	AQA	8365	603/3104/5	Paper 1 - 1hr 45 Paper 2 - 1hr 45	Paper 1 - 80 marks - 50% Paper 2 - 80 marks - 50%
GCSE Geography	AQA	8035	601/8410/3	Paper 1 - 1hr 30 Paper 2 - 1hr 30 Paper 3 - 1hr 30	Paper 1 - 88 marks - 35% Paper 2 - 88 marks - 35% Paper 3 - 76 marks - 30%
GCSE German (Foundation & Higher)	AQA	8662	601/8159/X	Paper 1 - Listening - F35/H45m Paper 2 – Speaking F7-9mins H 10-12mins Paper 3 - Reading - F45m/H1hr Paper 4 - Writing - F1hr 10/H1hr 15	Listening - F 40 marks H 50 marks - 25% Speaking - 50 marks - 25% Reading - 50 marks - 25% Writing - 50 marks - 25%
GCSE History	AQA	8145JC	601/8217/9	Paper 1 - 2hr Germany & Asia Paper 1 - 2hr Health & Elizabethan England	Paper 1 - 84 marks - 50% Paper 2 - 84 marks - 50%
GCSE Maths (Foundation & Higher)	Edexcel	1MA1 F/H	601/4700/3	Paper 1 - 1hr 30 Paper 2 - 1hr 30 Paper 3 - 1hr 30	Paper 1 - 80 marks - 33.3% Paper 2 - 80 marks - 33.3% Paper 3 - 80 marks - 33.3%
Edexcel Awards in Mathematics (Levels 1 & 2)	Edexcel	ANM10/20	600/2241/3 600/2242/5	Paper 1 Section A – 1hr Paper 1 Section B – 30 mins	Paper 1 Section A – 50 marks – 62.5% Paper 1Section B – 30 marks – 37.5%

GCSE Media Studies	WJEC	3680QS	C00/1165/3	Paper 1 - 1hr 30 Paper 2 - 1hr 30 Unit 3 - NEA	Paper 1 - 60 marks 40% Paper 2 - 60 marks 30% NEA - 80 marks - 30%
BTEC Tech Award Music Practice	Pearson	RMP3	603/7055/5	Component 1 - NEA - Jan Y10 Component 2 - NEA – Jan Y11 Component 3 - External assessment June Y11	Component 1 - 90 UMS marks Component 2 - 90 UMS marks Component 3 - 90 UMS marks (qualification aggregated over 3 units)
Level 1/2 Technical Award Performing Arts	WJEC	5639QA	603/7020/8	Unit 1 - Internal assessment Unit 2 - Internal assessment Unit 3 - External assessment	Unit 1 - 60 marks - 30% Unit 1 - 60 marks - 30% Unit 3 - 80 marks - 40%
GCSE Physics (Foundation & Higher)	AQA	8463	601/8751/7	Paper 1 - 1hr 45 Paper 2 - 1hr 45	Paper 1 - 100 marks - 50% Paper 2 - 100 marks - 50%
GCSE Religious Studies	AQA	8062NA	601/8400/0	Paper 1 - 1hr 45 Christianity & Judaism Paper 2 - 1hr 45 Thematic studies	Paper 1 - 100 marks - 50% Paper 2 - 100 marks - 50%
Cambridge National Sport Studies	OCR	J829	603/7107/9	R186 - NEA - June Y10 R185 - NEA – Jan Y11 R184 - Exam - Jan Y11 R184 resit exam – June Y11	R186 - 40 marks R185 - 80 marks R184 - 70 marks (qualification totalled over 3 units)
GCSE Statistics (current year 10) (Foundation & Higher)	Pearson	1ST0	603/1084/4	Paper 1 - 1hr 30 paper 2 - 1hr 30	Paper 1 - 80 marks - 50% Paper 2 - 80 marks - 50%

