

Is GCSE PE the right course for you?















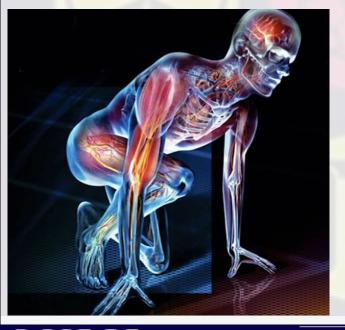
















WHY STUDY GCSE PE?

- If you have an interest and passion in playing regular and competitive sport.
- If you enjoying watching/analysing different sports.
- If you have a genuine interest in learning how the body and brain function to help you exercise and play sport.
- If you are interested in contemporary issues such as the media, the commercialisation and drugs in sport.
- If you think you would like to study PE or Sport in higher education - e.g A Level PE and at University.
- If you are interested in a career in PE/Sport-PE teaching, sports coaching, sports lecturing, sports management, physiotherapy, sports nutrition & personal training.



HOW IS THE COURSE STRUCTURED?

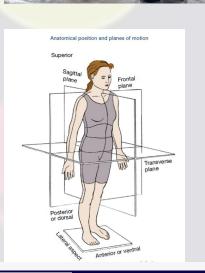
This Edexcel qualification is made up of 4 components:

Component 1: Fitness and Body Systems

Students will study:

- ❖ Topic 1: Applied anatomy and physiology
- Topic 2: Movement analysis
- Topic 3: Physical training
- Topic 4: Use of data
- This is an externally marked 1 hour and 45 minutes written examination.
- This component accounts for 36% of your final mark.







EXAMPLES OF KEY TOPICS STUDIED IN COMPONENT ONE:

- Skeletal system
- Muscular system
- Cardiovascular system
- Respiratory system
- Short & long term effects of exercise on the 4 systems above.
- Aerobic & Anaerobic exercise
- Components of fitness
- Training methods
- Principles of training
- Sports injuries
- Warm ups & cool downs
- Performance enhancing drugs



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Component 2: Health and Performance

Students will study:

- Topic 1: Health, fitness and well-being
- Topic 2: Sport psychology
- Topic 3: Socio-cultural influences
- ❖ Topic 4: Use of data

- This is an externally marked 1 hour and 15 minutes written examination.
- This component accounts for 24% of your final mark.









EXAMPLES OF KEY TOPICS STUDIED IN COMPONENT TWO:

- Lifestyle choices affecting sports performance
- Optimum weight
- Balanced diet
- Physical, social & emotional health
- Skill classification
- Goal setting /SMART target settings
- Types of practice.
- Types of feedback & guidance when coaching/teaching sport
- Mental preparation of sports performance
- Participation rates of sport and physical activity
- The commercialisation of sport (sponsorship, TV, media)
- Different types of sporting behaviour.



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Component 3: Practical Performance

Students will be assessed on:

- Skills in isolation (NON competitive environment) (5 marks)
- Application of skills, techniques and decision making in a full competitive environment. (match, race, competition) (25 marks)
- The assessment consists of students completing three physical activities from a set list.
- One must be a team activity.
- One must be an individual activity.
- The final activity can be a free choice- we will focus on handball as a potential 3rd activity and develop your practical performance in lessons and extra-curricular practises.
- Each activity is worth 10% of your final grade- 30% altogether





MODERATION DAY

- In March/April of year 11 we will have a GCSE PE moderation day at the college. An external moderator from Edexcel spends the day observing you perform in various activities.
- They will watch isolated drills as well as a full sided competitive match where necessary.
- All activities will need to be filmed as evidence during year 11 for any activities not shown on moderation day will still be watched on computer by the moderator.
- The whole purpose of the moderation day is for the exam board to check that the practical marks we have given you are accurate.



LIST OF TEAM ACTIVITIES TO BE ASSESSED IN

Team activities			
Activity	Forbidden combinations and rules		
Association football	Cannot be five-a-side or futsal		
Badminton	Cannot be assessed with singles/individual activity badminton		
Basketball	Cannot be 'street basketball'		
Camogie	Cannot be assessed with hurling		
Cricket			
Dance	Acceptable dances include: ballet, ballroom, contemporary/modern, hip-hop, jazz, salsa, street, tap		
Gaelic football			
Handball			
Hockey	Must be field hockey, not ice hockey or roller hockey		
Hurling	Cannot be assessed with camogie		
Lacrosse			
Netball			
Rowing	Cannot be assessed with sculling, canoeing or kayaking. This can only be used for one activity		
Rugby league	Cannot be assessed with rugby union or rugby sevens – cannot be tag rugby		
Rugby union	Can be assessed as sevens or fifteen-a-side. Cannot be assessed with rugby league, cannot be tag rugby		
Squash	Cannot be assessed with singles/individual activity squash		
Table tennis	Cannot be assessed with singles/individual activity table tennis		
Tennis	Cannot be assessed with singles/individual activity tennis		
Volleyball			



LIST OF INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES TO BE ASSESSED IN

Individual activit Activity	Forbidden combinations and rules		
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Amateur boxing			
Athletics	Can be assessed in one event from the disciplines of either Track or Field		
	Race walking and cross country are not a permitted Athletics events		
Badminton	Cannot be assessed with doubles		
Canoeing	Cannot be assessed with kayaking, rowing or sculling		
Cycling	Track or road cycling only		
Dance	Can only be used for one activity		
Diving	Platform diving		
Golf			
Gymnastics	Floor routines and apparatus only		
Equestrian	Can be assessed in either show jumping, cross country or dressage		
Kayaking	Cannot be assessed with canoeing, rowing or sculling		
Rock climbing	Can be indoor or outdoor		
Rowing	Cannot be assessed with sculling, canoeing or kayaking. This can only be used for one activity		
Sculling	Cannot be assessed with sculling, canoeing or kayaking		
Skiing	Outdoor/indoor on snow; cannot be assessed with snowboarding. Must not be dry slopes		
Snowboarding	Outdoor/indoor on snow; cannot be assessed with skiing. Must not be on dry slopes		
Squash	Cannot be assessed with doubles		
Swimming	Not synchronised swimming		
Table tennis	Cannot be assessed with doubles		
Tennis	Cannot be assessed with doubles		
Trampolining			



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Component 4: Personal Exercise Programme (PEP)

- Students will plan and carry out a six week personal exercise programme focussing on an area of weakness that would improve performance in their primary sport.
- They will be assessed on the planning, performing and evaluating of the programme.
- The sessions will be based primarily in our college fitness suite.
- This will be worth the final 10% of your overall grade.











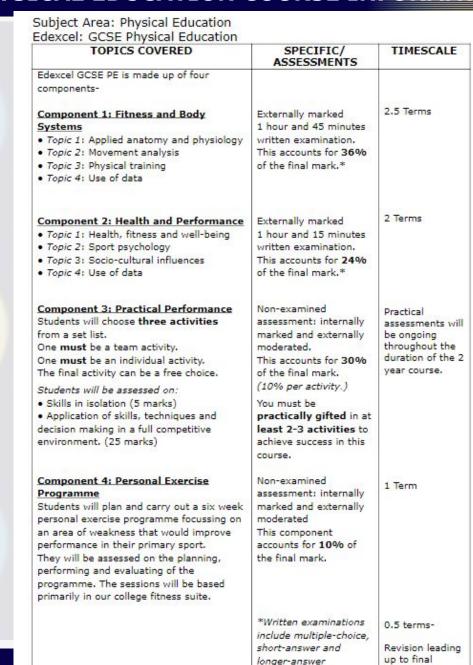


GRADE BOUNDARIES IN 2019

Edexcel are one of the more difficult exam boards in terms of content, hence why the pass rate is subsequently one of the lowest in comparison with other GCSE PE syllabuses with other exam boards.

Level	Mark /350	%
4	171	48.9
5	192	55
6	214	61
7	236	67
8	252	72
9	268	76





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DO YOU QUALIFY TO STUDY THIS COURSE?

We have two key criteria that every student who would like to study GCSE PE must possess:

- 1. You must be a gifted sportsman/woman in **at least** 2 different sports. You **must** be involved in regular competitive sport outside of college for a club or team in **at least** 1 activity.
- 2. You must be **academically 'competent'** in core subjects English & Science. If you are performing well in these subjects it is a good indicator you will be able to cope with the difficulty of the academic side of the GCSE PE course. We will check previous/current assessment grades and ask for further guidance from your English and Maths teachers' if necessary.

If you do not meet both of the criteria, you may be better suited to our other PE KS4 qualification-

Cambridge National in Sports Studies





ANY MORE QUESTIONS?

- Ask one of your PE teachers
- Email Mr. Williamsisw43@blessededward.co.uk