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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to inform you that from September 2026, Wednesfield Academy Sixth Form will also be part of the West Bromwich Albion Football Academy.

Pupils joining Sixth Form will be able to choose from two exciting pathways:

### Option 1 — Subject Route

Pupils who do not wish to take part in the Football Academy can choose three A Level or vocational subjects across our Sixth Form option blocks. Pupils can only select three subjects in total from three different option blocks. These option blocks are finalised and therefore will not change:

Sixth Form Option Blocks: 2026 entry

|            | Block A    | Block B              | Block C            | Block D   |
|------------|------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| ALevels    | Art        | Biolog               | DesignTechnology   | Business  |
|            | French     | Computer Science     | English Literature | Chemistry |
|            | Maths      | Economics            |                    | Histo     |
| Vocational | Psychology |                      |                    | Sociology |
|            | ICT        | Health & Social Care | Sport              | Media     |
|            |            | Performin Arts       |                    |           |



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## Option 2— Football Academy

Pupils selecting this route will study the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport (Triple), equivalent to three A Levels. This qualification is accepted by universities for entry onto a wide range of higher education courses such as:

- Sports Coaching.
- Sports Therapy.
- Physiotherapy.
- Secondary Education (PE).

Alongside their studies, pupils in the Football Academy will benefit from:

- Professional training with WBA coaches.
- Weekly match play.
- A full WBA playing kit to represent the Foundation.
- Opportunities to referee and coach.
- Match day experiences, including ball retriever roles.
- An end-of-season tournament.

This pathway will also include opportunities to engage in:

- Extended Project Qualification (EPQ).
- Level 3 Core Maths.
- Volunteering.
- Enrichment activities.

## Opportunities for all sixth form pupils

Whichever pathway students choose, they will also benefit from:

- A dedicated personal tutor.
- Pastoral support.
- Careers programme and guidance.
- Opportunities to join the Combined Cadet Force (CCF)
- Opportunities to take part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE)
- Access to a wide range of trips and enrichment activities.



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## Year 11 Next Steps Day

On Wednesday 26th November 2025 all year 11 pupils will be involved in a Next Steps Day where they will experience what it is to be a sixth form pupil at Wednesfield Academy. Pupils will experience sixth form subject lessons, and we also have a local College in to support pupils with their next steps gaining advice from another educational establishment within the local area. Pupils will also have the opportunity to find out more about the football academy as part of the day.

Pupils will choose subject options from the sixth form option blocks over the next few weeks so they can experience these subjects being delivered. The taster day sessions will take place from 1 pm-3pm.

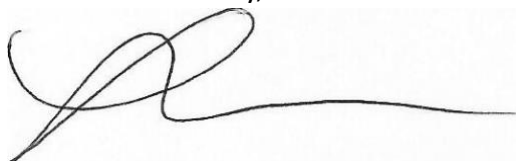
- Option 1-Pupils will experience three sixth form subject taster lessons and a workshop with a local college.
- Option 2- Students will experience a taster session to find out more about the football academy, two sixth form taster lessons and a workshop with a local college. After school, pupils will participate in a coaching training session delivered by the Football Academy from 3pm-4pm. They therefore will need to bring their PE kit with football boots to change into.

Students must click the link to select the taster subjects/options.

<https://forms.office.com/e/aZQ9QFqSjs>

More information about our Sixth Form and the Football Academy will be available on our prospectus and at our Sixth Form Open Evening on Tuesday 18th November at 5.00pm— 7.00pm. If you would like further details, please contact Mrs Gwatkin, Head of Sixth Form at [postbox@wednesfieldacademy.co.uk](mailto:postbox@wednesfieldacademy.co.uk) or call 01902 558222, and we hope to see many parents at the Open Evening.

Yours faithfully,



Mr Phillips

Headteacher



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