

Btec Sport Frequently asked Questions

1: How much practical is in Btec Sport?

Btec Sport courses are not about going out and playing sport. What we look at is the theories and concepts behind developing the player and looking at elite level sport. For example students will have the opportunity at looking at method of coaching and how to plan, deliver and evaluate effective coaching sessions. They will get the opportunity to take part in practical lesson, which look at different coaching methods.

2: Do I need to of studied PE at GCSEs?

Although this is not a requirement, it will come as an advantage if you have. We do not expect student to come onto the course with previous knowledge, therefore we start at the basics. However, students who have already a good understanding of Anatomy and physiology are prepared for the topics we cover in preparation for the examined unit.

3: Is it best to do the Single/Double or Triple sport?

It very much depends on your interests and skills set and what you what to do in your future. If there are other A Levels or Btec courses that you have an interest in and feel you are going to achieve good grades in then making the choice between the Single and Double is very much based on your interest. Students who choose the Triple sport have the benefit that all their studies are focused around sporting topics, whether that is Anatomy and Physiology, coaching, Sport Business or elite level sports. You need to have a passion for sport in order to do this pathway.

4: What can I do after I have done a Btec?

Many of our students progress onto a Sport related degree, such as Sport Coaching, Sport Nutrition, Sport Science or a Physical education degree, to become a PE teacher, either Primary or secondary. Due to the Nature of the Btec courses covering a range of topics, students are also well equipped to go out into the work place or Apprenticeships, where they can further their career aims.

5: How will I be assessed whilst on the course?

The majority of units covered will be assessed by coursework. This can take the form of written reports or research studies carried out, or to more practical based methods, such as presenting your work and a powerpoint, or taking a coaching session with a group of students. Students will also be assessed by exams. In the first year, Students will sit the Anatomy and Physiology exam, which is a formal test under examined conditions. They will also be assed by way of a case study, which is a seen paper, whereby students get to research information on Health, Exercise and lifestyle factors, based on a particular question.

6: What skills and attributes do I need to succeed on this course?

All our Btec students need to have an interest and passion for Sport. Those that do well and achieve the High grades are able to prioritise their workloads well. They can be organised and plan ahead of time, often keeping a diary of when work is due in, as you will always have at least 2 pieces of work to be working on. Most of all they put in the effort in their work and take pride in what they do, taking ownership of this. Lastly they are motivated to do well and have some kind of end goal, whether that is to achieve Distinctions or to go onto University or employment.

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A LEVEL PE vs BTEC SPORT

They are both Level 3 Qualifications, it's about which will suit the way you learn the best and which will give the best opportunity to achieve fantastic results.

A LEVEL PE	BTEC SPORT
EXAM ASSESSED. 2 EXAMS AT THE END OF 2 YEARS. 70% OF OVERALL MARK.	UP TO 70% COURSEWORK ASSESSMENT. EXAM ASSESSMENT MIXTURE OF CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT & ONLINE TESTS
15% OF MARKS AVAILABLE FOR PRACTICAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT IN 1 SPORT ONLY.	NO MARKS AVAILABLE FOR PRACTICAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT.
SINGLE COURSE, SO IT WOULD BE 1 OF YOUR 3 SUBJECT CHOICES.	SINGLE, DOUBLE OR TRIPLE COURSES AVAILABLE, SO WOULD BE 2 OF YOUR 3 SUBJECT CHOICES OR YOUR FULL STUDY PROGRAMME IF YOU CHOOSE THE NATIONAL DIPLOMA.
MORE EMPHASIS ON SCIENTIFIC ASPECTS OF SPORT.	GREATER RANGE OF AREAS COVERED E.G. SPORTS DEVELOPMENT, COACHING...