

October 2023

Dear Headteacher,

Shireland CBSO Academy Sixth Form

We are delighted to invite students in Year 11 to apply to study at Shireland CBSO Academy Sixth Form and to attend our Open Evening on **Tuesday 24 October, 1700-1900.**

The academy opened in September 2023 in collaboration with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, providing young people across Sandwell and the wider West Midlands with an exceptional education.

The academy is situated in Providence Place, West Bromwich, on the site of the former BT building. Students have access to brand-new, state-of-the-art facilities, dedicated social and study spaces and the latest technology including their own laptop to use for the duration of their time studying with us.

We encourage all students attending Shireland CBSO Academy to study at least one Level 3 music qualification and two additional A Level/BTEC courses. If this is not possible, we expect all students to support and contribute to our music ethos. Students will be provided with vocal or instrumental tuition, performance opportunities, rehearsal and recording spaces, masterclasses and inspiration sessions from world-renowned musicians, and bespoke career opportunities.

As part of Shireland Collegiate Academy Trust, our academy will provide students with exciting and rewarding enrichment opportunities alongside a traditional curriculum model, underpinned by outstanding teaching and excellent pastoral support. Students at Shireland CBSO Academy have access to all the resources and technologies available across our Trust and can choose from the courses listed below:

A Level

- Music
- Art
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Geography
- History
- Philosophy, Ethics and Religion
- Physics
- Psychology
- Sociology
- French
- Drama and Theatre

BTEC

- Music Technology
- Applied Science
- Health and Social Care (Single, Double and Triple Award)
- Sport

A copy of our Academy prospectus can be found on our website: www.shirelandcbsso.org.uk

Applications will open shortly after our Open Evening and can be accessed via the website.

We are also keen to visit secondary schools to talk to young people about opportunities available at the Academy. If you would like to arrange for a member of the team to visit your school, please get in touch via info@scbso.shirelandcat.net.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at info@scbso.shirelandcat.net.

Yours sincerely,



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