

**Cottingham High School  
and Sixth Form College**



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Prospectus

**2024/25**

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# Shaping Positive Futures

## Cottingham High School and Sixth Form College is part of The Consortium Academy Trust.

As a Trust we are ambitious about the future, creating learning environments and excellence in teaching and learning that provide our children and young people with the best chance at a successful future. Other schools which are part of our Trust include Croxby Primary, The Hessle Academy (an all-through school which includes Hessle High School & Sixth Form College and Penshurst Primary), Holderness Academy & Sixth Form College, Howden School, Keyingham Primary, Winifred Holtby Academy and Wolfreton School and Sixth Form College.

The Consortium Sixth Form College has four campuses delivering post-16 provision to learners at Cottingham, Hessle, Holderness and Wolfreton.

The strength of our Trust is in working together for the sole benefit of children and young people. Our highly skilled Headteachers work collaboratively, by sharing resources and expertise, to ensure children and young people across all our schools experience inclusive learning opportunities alongside a challenging, fun and aspirant education. As a team, in partnership with parents, carers and other key stakeholders, we are ambitious to shape positive futures, so each child and young person is able to excel and achieve their goals.

Lizann Lawson, CEO



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# Welcome

**We are a large school based in the East Riding of Yorkshire with almost 1000 students, including those in our Sixth Form campus which is part of 'The Consortium Sixth Form College'.**

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As a parent or carer, you are currently faced with one of the most important decisions you will make for your child; namely, which school to trust with her or his secondary education. We hope that this prospectus gives you a flavour of what we are about. If you wish to visit us and ask questions in order to reach your decision regarding your child's secondary school choice, we are happy to arrange an appointment for you and answer any questions you may have. We hope that having read this prospectus and perhaps visited our school, you will choose to join us. Please feel free to contact us if you require any further information.

**Mr D Thornton, Headteacher**



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Following our most recent inspection in June 2022, Ofsted confirmed that Cottingham continues to be a good school, where leaders have 'high expectations' of students, and our students 'respond well to the demands of their teachers'. We place significant importance on creating a caring and supportive environment, where every child really does matter. We pride ourselves on our inclusivity and we have a strong reputation for providing excellent pastoral care and guidance throughout all years,

# Our Vision



A school that provides all students with exciting opportunities that build confidence, develop skills and promote academic excellence.”

# Our Values

**At Cottingham High School we are all members of a friendly and supportive community.**

We respect each other; we take responsibility for placing learning at the heart of everything we do; we have the confidence to embrace innovation and we are inspired to achieve our very best.









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# Curriculum

**All students are entitled to an engaging, broad, balanced, rich, appropriately challenging and ambitious curriculum, with a strong academic core, delivered by specialists who are passionate about their subject.**

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Our curriculum is designed sequentially so that new knowledge and skills build on what has been taught before through a mastery approach. This includes an emphasis on reading and vocabulary-rich programmes of study and a focus on careers education in each curriculum area, which will raise aspirations.

Above all, we want all our students to be enthusiastic about their studies and to instil in them a self-belief and an appetite for life-long learning.

# Teaching and Learning

Our curriculum is based upon the national curriculum which provides students with the essential knowledge that they need to be educated citizens, introducing them to the best that has been thought and said and helping to engender an appreciation of human creativity and achievement.

## Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 and 9)

We teach Key Stage 3 (KS3) in Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9. Our students study the core subjects of:

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Computing
- PSHE/RSE
- Performing Arts (Art & Design, Drama and Music)
- The Humanities (History, Geography and Religious Education)
- Modern Foreign Languages (French or German)
- Physical Education
- Technology

## Key Stage 4 (Years 10 and 11)

We offer a range of option choices to students at Key Stage 4 (KS4), in addition to GCSEs in the core subjects studied at KS3 and a variety of other qualifications including BTEC, OCR National and NCFE Vocational Certificate.

The vast majority of our students take a Double Award in Science with separate GCSEs in Biology, Chemistry and Physics available for students who select Triple Science as part of their options programme.









# School Life

## Extracurricular

We offer a wide range of extracurricular activities to our students.

Our staff are very generous with their time in order to enrich students' experiences and a large number of clubs and activities are available, covering a wide variety of interests.

## Catering

The food at Cottingham is provided by abm Catering who serve great, fresh food using the very best of seasonal ingredients to create nutritious, innovative and exciting dishes.

Sample menus are available to view on the school website to give an idea of the range of food available.

## Uniform

The wearing of uniform gives every student a sense of identity, equality and discipline as a member of our community.

It encourages students to feel a sense of pride and belonging, sets clear expectations, ensures health and safety and provides an environment conducive to learning for all students, in preparation for their future working life.

If at any time there are any queries regarding our uniform, parents/carers should contact the school to discuss further.



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# Care and support

## SEND

We value the abilities and achievements of all our students and are committed to providing the best possible learning experience for each one. We aim to support students with SEND to fulfil their potential and to promote self-confidence, motivation and aspiration. Provision for students with SEND is regarded as a whole school responsibility.

## Careers

Students in Years 7 – 13 engage in careers education which helps them to understand the education, training, employment and other progression opportunities available to them. They have guidance about careers that is:

- Impartial
- Confidential
- Focussed on individual needs and fit for purpose
- Supportive of equal opportunities
- Provided by people with relevant training and expertise

## School well-being dog

Students and staff at Cottingham are lucky to have our well-being dogs, Marlowe and Flora, to provide support with:

- Reading programmes for struggling readers
- Social development around social skills, responsibility, self-esteem, social interaction
- Emotional health and well-being around sadness, stress and anxiety
- Improving poor attendance

## Pastoral

We aim to deliver the highest quality pastoral care for all of our students enabling them to fulfil their potential. Each student has a dedicated tutor who is accessible on a daily basis as well as a Head of Year who is able to offer more bespoke support should this be needed during their academic career with us. We have access to a diverse selection of professional agencies outside of school which includes Early Help, Counselling, CAMHS, SMASH, Tigers Trust and specialist health services.

# Igniting Futures, Together

The Consortium Sixth Form College delivers post-16 provision to students at campuses at Cottingham, Hessle, Holderness and Wolfreton with a focus on providing high quality teaching and individual support to secure the best achievement and outcomes for all.

Our Sixth Form vision is **Igniting Futures, Together** and our shared values of **Ambition, Collaboration** and **Excellence** form the basis of everything we do.

At our Cottingham Campus we have a dedicated suite of Sixth Form teaching rooms, independent learning space and bespoke catering provision with an outdoor social area. With a wide variety of subjects to choose from, ranging from A-levels to Level 3 BTEC Diplomas, students can select the subjects they want to study, and meet their aspirations.

Our courses are taught by qualified subject specialist teachers. They have a wide range of backgrounds and expert knowledge in their field, with many of them being examiners, so have first-hand knowledge of how to achieve great exam results.

Discover more at  
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Eliza  
Newcastle  
University



James  
Apprenticeship

Evan  
Sheffield Hallam University

# Positive Destinations

As well as links with Oxbridge, Russell Group and other top universities, we offer degree specific support for students applying for subjects such as medicine, law and teaching.

Careers advice is provided to ensure students are aware of the breadth of opportunities available to them. Each year our Sixth Form students leave us to go on to a variety of positive destinations including both university and apprenticeships.

The majority of our students progress on to a place at their first choice university. Some success stories this year include Evan who is progressing onto an IT and Business course at Sheffield Hallam University, Eliza who is now studying Physical Geography at Newcastle University and James who has secured an apprenticeship in Electrical Maintenance with HETA.

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