



Session 2020-21

Senior Phase Options Information: New S5



Options Information

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- S5 Choice Form/ Options process
- Foundation Apprenticeship opportunities
- SQA exams and coursework



Senior Phase Reports

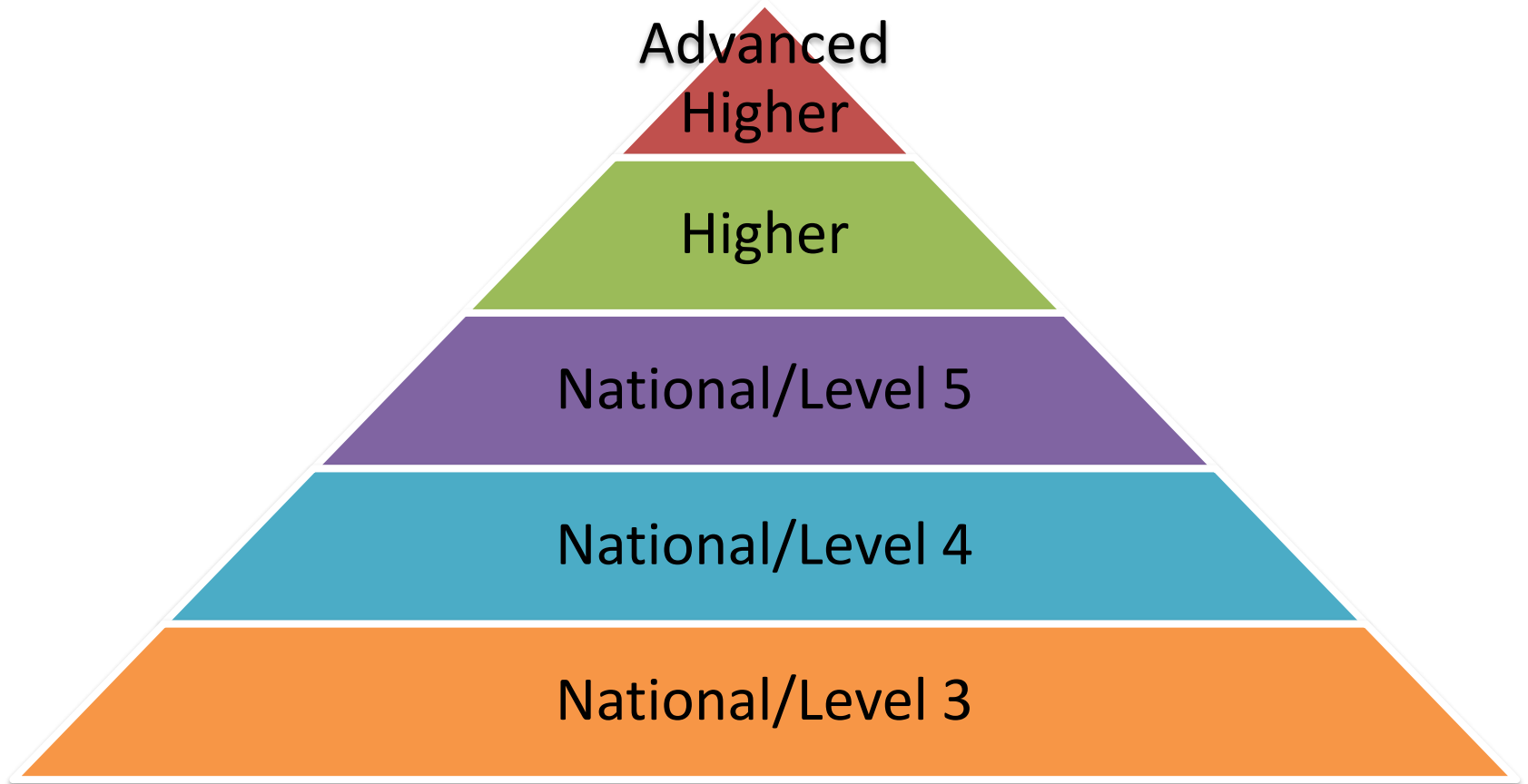
- Reports were issued: 5th February 2020
- Read your report carefully and follow the advice of your teachers.
- Please speak to your teachers if further information is required.



Senior Phase Options

- S4 – S6: Senior Phase
- In S4, everyone studied English and Maths and five other subjects.
- In S5/6, if you return to school, students can study National 4/5, Higher or Advanced Higher subjects.
- In S5, you must choose a minimum of five subjects.
- The number of subjects that students will study next year will depend on the level of study.
- Students are asked to number their choices 1-5/6/7 based on the level of study and to select an additional subject (R) as a reserve choice.





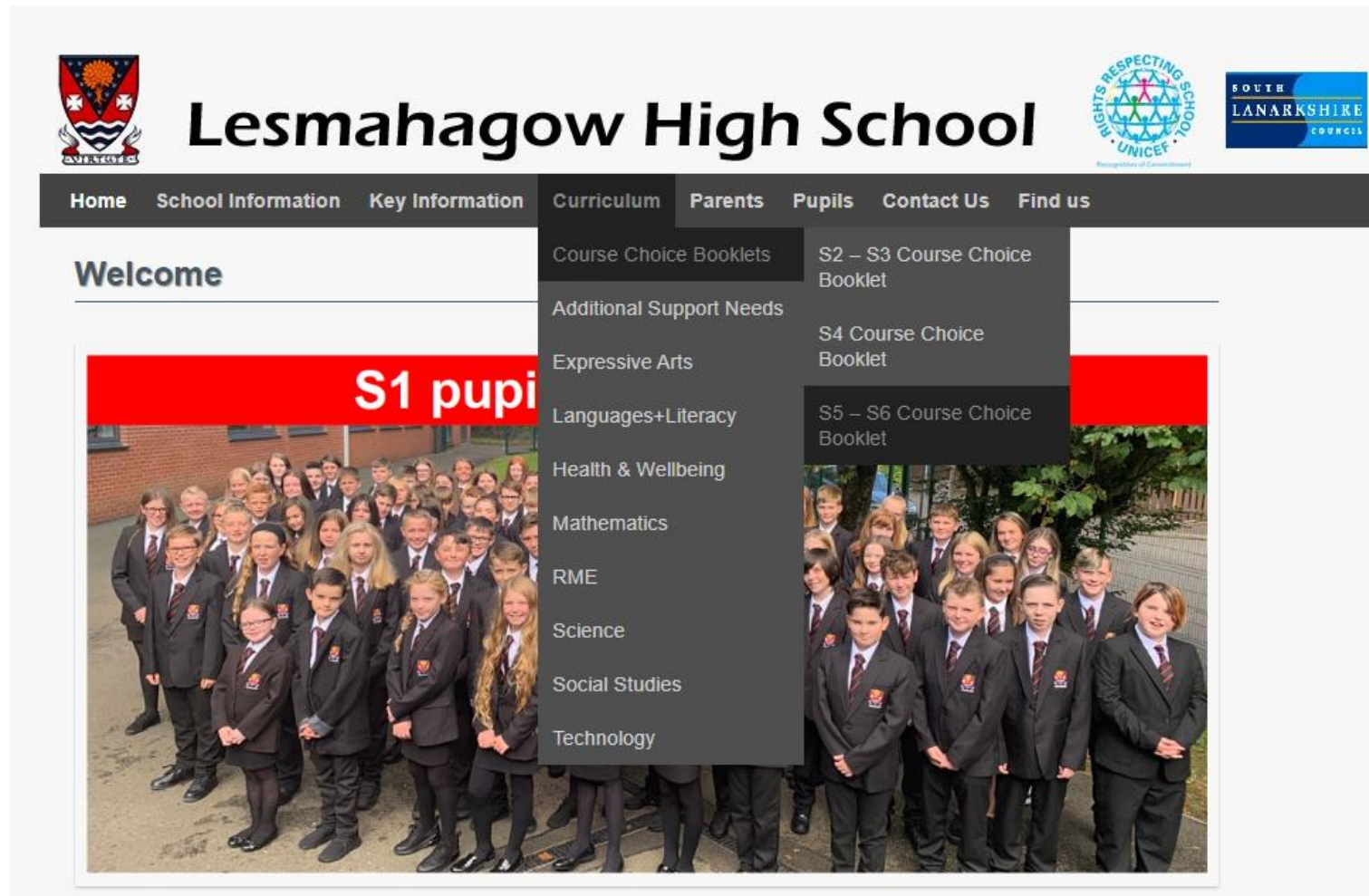
Levels

Options booklet

(available on school website)

- Options booklet:
 - Advice about how to choose your subjects:
 - Read the information booklet carefully
 - Speak to your class teacher about their subject in S5
 - Discuss your choices with your parents/ carers
 - Speak to your Pupil Support Teacher
 - Consider your future career path
 - A guide to each subject is contained in the Options Booklet. Information about how courses are assessed is also given in your booklet.

To access the options booklet on-line



The screenshot shows the website for Lesmahagow High School. At the top left is the school crest. To its right is the school name "Lesmahagow High School" in a large, bold, black font. Further right are two logos: "RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL UNICEF" and "SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL". Below the school name is a dark navigation bar with white text for "Home", "School Information", "Key Information", "Curriculum", "Parents", "Pupils", "Contact Us", and "Find us". The "Curriculum" menu item is active, showing a dropdown menu with the following items: "Course Choice Booklets", "Additional Support Needs", "Expressive Arts", "Languages+Literacy", "Health & Wellbeing", "Mathematics", "RME", "Science", "Social Studies", and "Technology". The "Course Choice Booklets" item is highlighted, and a sub-menu is visible with three options: "S2 – S3 Course Choice Booklet", "S4 Course Choice Booklet", and "S5 – S6 Course Choice Booklet". The "S2 – S3 Course Choice Booklet" option is highlighted. Below the navigation bar, the word "Welcome" is displayed. The main content area features a large photograph of a group of students in school uniforms. A red banner at the top of the photo reads "S1 pupils".

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Welcome

S1 pupils

Course Choice Booklets
S2 – S3 Course Choice Booklet

Additional Support Needs

Expressive Arts

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Health & Wellbeing

Mathematics

RME

Science

Social Studies

Technology

S4 Course Choice Booklet

S5 – S6 Course Choice Booklet

Choice form

- You should have a copy of the Choice form.
- Section 1: Date of birth and intended leaving date.
- Section 2: What do you intend to do when you leave school?

Lesmahagow High School S5 Choice Form 2020-21



Name: _____ Tutor class: _____

All S4 students are required to complete and return this form to their Tutor Teacher by Friday, 6th March 2020.

Section 1:

What is your date of birth? ___/___/___

When do you intend to leave school?

I plan to leave school at summer 2020/ winter 2020/ summer 2021/ summer 2022 (please circle your answer).

Section 2:

What do you intend to do when you leave school?

Destination	Please tick	Please give more information regarding your career pathway
<i>Examples:</i>		
<i>Employment</i>	✓	<i>Retail assistant</i>
<i>College</i>	✓	<i>HNC in Computing</i>
<i>University</i>	✓	<i>BSc in Applied Science</i>
Aspire programme		
Employment		
Further Education (e.g. college)		
Higher Education (e.g. university)		
Training (e.g. apprenticeship)		
Voluntary work		
Other (please state)		
Not sure		

Choice form

- Section 3: Choose at least five subjects and number them 1-5/6/7 (depending on level of study) in order of preference. Also choose subject as a reserve – identify this as R.
- Add if you are interested in applying to go to college or for a Foundation Apprenticeship.
- Return your form to your Tutor Teacher by Friday, 6th March 2020.
- Do not return your form until you have had your interview with Pupil Support.

Section 3: Course Choice

Please indicate on the course choice grid your subject choices for S5. You should:

- Select between 5 and 7 subjects (depending on the level of study). National and Wider Achievement courses are offered four periods per week; Higher courses are offered six periods per week. A full timetable is required. Please note: In returning to school for S5, full attendance is expected.
- Number your choices in order of preference (1 being the subject you would most like to study). Please also select a Reserve choice (R).
- You can select one Wider Achievement course as part of your options if you wish.
- Classes will only run if numbers are sufficient and we have adequate teaching resources. Advanced Highers may be delivered in arrangement with other schools.

Subject	Nat./ Level 3,4, 5	Higher / Level 6	Adv. Higher / Level 7	Wider Achievement Courses	Choose max. 1
Administration and IT				Fashion and Textile Technology	
Art and Design				Languages for Life and Work (Level 3 or 4)	
Biology/ Human Biology				NPA Sports Development (L6)	
Business Management				Youth Achievement Award (Level 4-6)	
Chemistry					
Computing Science					
Design and Manufacture					
Drama					
English					
French					
Geography					
German					
Graphic Communication					
Hospitality					
History					
Maths/ Applications of Maths					
Modern Studies					
Musical Theatre (NPA)					
Music					
PE					
Physics					
Practical Woodwork					
Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies					
Scottish Studies					
Travel and Tourism					

College Courses:

Are you interested in applying to study a one-day 'Gradu8' college course as part of your course choice for one year? **Yes/No**

Foundation Apprenticeship Courses:

Are you interested in applying to study a two-year Foundation Apprenticeship course on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons? **Yes/No**


More information on college and Foundation Apprenticeship courses will be provided to students who are interested in applying to study these options.

Signature of Parent/Carer: _____

Students will also have the chance to apply to study a college course as part of your Senior Phase Curriculum.



New College Lanarkshire (Motherwell) offers a range of one year courses on Mondays throughout S5 or 6 (e.g. Early Years Childcare, Construction, Hairdressing, Engineering, Beauty, Uniformed and Emergency Services).



More information about courses at New College Lanarkshire will be given later this term.

Studying at College

You may also want to consider a two year (two half days in S5&6) Foundation Apprenticeship course.....



- Business Skills
- Civil Engineering
- Creative Digital Media
- Engineering
- Financial Services
- Hardware and System Support

- Laboratory Skills
- Social Services Children and Young People
- Social Services and Healthcare
- Software Development

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CavQBiWYzI>

- SQA coursework deadlines must be met. See individual departments.
- Practical exams – please speak to your teachers about dates for Practical Exams.
- SQA exams: Monday, 27th April – Wednesday, 3rd June 2020.

SQA coursework and exams

Next steps



Discuss options with teachers, Pupil Support teacher and parents/carers.



Deadline for returning Choice form – Friday, 6th March 2020.



Focus on coursework and SQA exam preparation. Access additional learning opportunities where possible.



Any questions?