



SIXTH FORM PROSPECTUS



WELCOME

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the Landau Forte College Sixth Form, an exceptional learning environment in the heart of Derby.

As part of an outstanding school we aim to inspire, engage and challenge young people to be the best they can be – academically, personally and socially.

We have a superb track record of developing successful and conscientious young adults. Our sixth formers are resilient and caring; they make the most of the freedoms of Sixth Form life whilst also acting as role models for your younger students.

Whether through our rich extracurricular programme, bespoke careers and further education programme or unique business links, everything we offer here is designed to prepare young people in Derby for success on a local, national and global scale.

It is a real privilege to be Principal of the College and I look forward to meeting you when you visit us. You can attend one of our Open Evenings or contact me or Dr Delbridge, Assistant Principal in charge of the Sixth Form, via the College to arrange a visit.

Alison Brannick
Principal

Landau Forte College Derby



OUTSTANDING

"The outstanding curriculum is extremely well matched to students' needs and aspirations and promotes high academic achievement."



LANDAU FORTE COLLEGE VISION AND VALUES

We are proud to provide excellent opportunities to all learners, irrespective of background or ability.

Our vision at Landau Forte College is to ensure that every young person is inspired, engaged and challenged to achieve at the highest possible level. At the heart of everything we do is a strong moral purpose to ensure all young people have access to the highest quality education and enrichment experiences. We are relentlessly ambitious for our students in their future aspirations and we want their success to go beyond academic achievement.

The College aims to ensure that our young people leave as confident, healthy, secure and independent individuals who have a love of learning and are ready to make a personal contribution to society.



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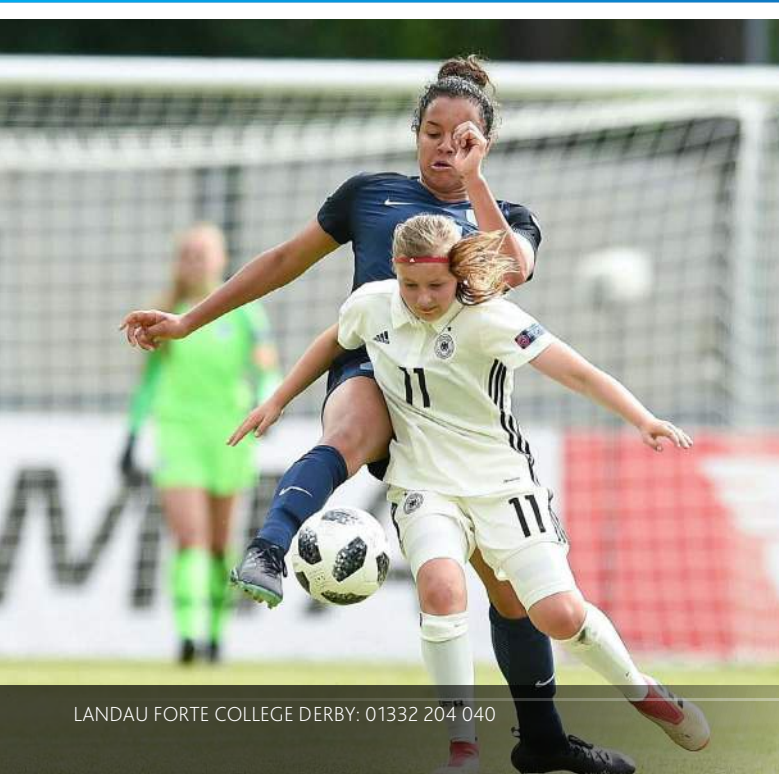
LANDAU FORTE CHARITABLE TRUST

Landau Forte College is part of the Landau Forte Charitable Trust, a family of East and West Midlands schools founded more than 20 years ago.

Our roots lie in the global property, finance and hospitality industries with our founders Martin Landau and the Forte family. Their track records combine in how our schools look after their children and young people; they aspire to a world-leading standard of innovation, entrepreneurship and service.

Whilst our academies each have their individual specialisms, they share a common expectation of high standards of learning, teaching, attainment, achievement and student care.

We are proud that Landau Forte College Sixth Form expertly prepares its young people for further study or careers of their choosing, and also serves the wider community through adult education and use of facilities for teams, clubs, societies and community groups.



UNIQUE SIXTH FORM EXPERIENCE

We have our own distinctive culture and ethos, the cornerstone of which is the high quality pastoral care all our students experience. Despite that approximately a third of our sixth formers choose to join us from other schools we know our sixth formers as individuals and understand their strengths and areas for development. Students are able to access individual support with additional contact opportunities with tutors, who are subject specialists, at the end of each day. This enables students to deeply embed their learning and resolve any questions they may have as quickly as possible. Tutors support our students every step of the way throughout their two years here, including helping them navigate the process of applying to university. We support our students assertively and appropriately for each individual, facilitating the rapid development of their independence and effective use of study time.

We aim to enrich our students' learning experiences by ensuring they all have the opportunity to immerse themselves in activities that they may not ordinarily have access to. There is a weekly Activities Afternoon with a variety of opportunities on offer to stimulate, educate and challenge students. The College operates a House system and an annual House competition which all staff and students participate in throughout the academic year. The House system further develops the key skills of team work and collegiality and creates a real excitement and sense of belonging for all at the College. All staff and students are members of one of our five Houses: Liberty, Opportunity, Versatility, Equality, Diversity.

Such opportunities can only further develop our young people. In today's competitive society, we want to prepare Landau Forte College sixth formers to be able to confidently compete with the top graduates in the UK and beyond.



Landau Forte College Sixth Form has a range of established partnerships with business and industry, which bring the world of work securely into the educational experience. Our students have several opportunities to complete meaningful periods of work experience and have access to high quality independent information, advice and guidance in relation to careers education.

Students are offered the opportunity to participate in a wide range of activities, residential and day visits to further enrich their curriculum.

These include:

- Participating in sports tournaments in Europe;
- Participating in World Challenge expeditions in exciting international locations;
- Competing in local and national mathematics and language challenge events;
- Regular masterclasses, summer schools and open day visits to Oxbridge and Russell Group universities;
- Visits to and from leading industry figures;
- Participating in the Landau Forte Parliament;
- Trips to local and national theatres including the Royal Ballet;

Exceptional academic and vocational results

For the last three years, students at Landau Forte College Sixth Form have achieved exceptional A level results. The College's valued added score has been the highest in Derby City since 2017.

In 2019, the College has a 100% pass rate at A level. Impressively, 90% of A level entries achieved the top A* to C grades and the percentage of entries achieving the top grades of A* or A was 25%. These are, again, exceptional results and highlight the commitment of College staff to supporting every young person to achieve at the very highest level. We are very proud of all our young people and their wonderful achievements.



A CHOICE OF AMBITIOUS PATHWAYS

Our sixth formers follow pathways tailored to their strengths and interests, including A-level, AS level, BTEC and Cambridge National qualifications. All of the different pathways available are challenging and ambitious and reflect the needs of the employment market locally, nationally and globally. Students may follow an academic, vocational or mixed pathway. This flexibility gives students options at the end of Year 12, should they need it. Students will usually follow a three subject pathway throughout the Sixth Form but we are happy to discuss the possibility of an additional subject in Year 12.

Students follow a programme to support progression into higher education or employment and training. Their main studies are enhanced with a core programme which includes work related learning and work experience opportunities, robust careers education and independent information, advice and guidance. Many students also have the opportunity to study the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ).

Independent learning is vital to the success of every Sixth Form student. Our expectation is that you will be fully engaged with your chosen subjects. A passion to study these subjects should drive you to discover them thoroughly.

Please refer to the curriculum insert for a detailed list of courses available and entry requirements.

Communication with Parents/ Carers

We believe that the success of our sixth formers is facilitated by the effective relationships between the College and our parents/carers. Students will receive formal reports three times a year; for each subject, these reports will include the student's target grade and the expected final grade, based on current performance. Reports also comment on effort, punctuality and attendance. There are several formal Parents' Evenings throughout Year 12 and 13 where parents/ carers and the student meet with Learning Tutors to discuss progress and the next steps in learning. In addition to the formal consultations with the student's Personal Tutor and Learning Tutors, parents/carers are encouraged to contact the College at any point to discuss any aspect of a student's progress or wellbeing.



PREPARING FOR SUCCESS

Sixth formers are supported by committed and dedicated tutors who ensure they play a key role in the life of the College. They are expected to act as role models for the other young people in the College and to support younger students academically and pastorally through numeracy and literacy mentoring, peer mentoring and through the vertical tutoring system.

All Sixth Form students participate in a fantastic careers programme which ensures that they are well informed and prepared for their next steps after completion of Sixth Form education, whether this is university, an apprenticeship or employment. We have many exciting visits from business leaders and successful alumni that help our Sixth Form students shape their thinking about further education and future careers.

“The encouragement and support I have received from my Learning Tutors is one of the key reasons I wanted to progress into Sixth Form education here.”

Year 13 student

Year on year, our impressive outcomes give our students a wide range of options for their next step, meaning our Sixth Form students are successful in gaining places at the most prestigious universities in this country and abroad.

These include:

- University of Cambridge
- University of Oxford
- University of York
- University College London
- University of Sheffield
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Bristol
- Harvard University
- Queen Mary University of London
- University of Birmingham
- University of Warwick
- Imperial College London
- University of Leeds
- London School of Economics
- Newcastle University
- University of Nottingham

Similarly, many students are successful in obtaining prestigious apprenticeships or employment with some of the most successful companies, both locally and nationally. These have recently included:

Bombardier	Toyota
The National Grid	JCB
Ashgate Accountants	Unilever
Derby City Council	Nestle
George Hodges & Son Ltd	Severn Trent
Derventio	Atkins Engineering
The RAF	KPMG
Pattonair	



“I am extremely pleased with my results and I am thankful for the help and support I have received from the staff here.”

Ex Year 13 student, reading Medicine at the University of Leicester.

AN INCLUSIVE SIXTH FORM

Landau Forte College Sixth Form is proud of its superb track record in regards to inclusion. We passionately believe that special educational needs or disability should not prevent a young person accessing mainstream education. Our team of highly skilled Learning Support Assistants provide high quality, in session support across all curriculum areas.

The personalised support we provide to our students enables them to develop as independent and confident learners who are able to play a full and important role in the life of the College.



A SUPPORTIVE AND SUCCESSFUL ALUMNI

Many of our former students stay in touch and visit the College to deliver inspirational talks to our students, offer mentoring, advice and guidance or conduct mock interviews with current students looking to move into their field of expertise.



A BUSINESS-LIKE ENVIRONMENT

Our sixth formers wear smart business dress that reflects their status as young adults and role models. This not only contributes to a business-like environment but is appropriate preparation for the world of work.

“Learning Tutors don’t give up on you. They keep challenging you to be the best that you can be.”

Year 13 student

“Sixth Form students have devised and lead charity events which have raised over £10,000 for a wide variety of worthwhile charities.”

Global, national and local charity support

APPLICATION PROCESS

Step One

Attend one of the College's Open Evenings and discuss your options with a member of the sixth form team.

Step Two

Complete the application form and submit it by post or email.

Step Three

Successful applicants will receive an offer letter before the end of February. You will be invited to attend a 'Life at Landau' day in April.

Step Four

After the GCSE examination results are confirmed in August you will attend two Induction Days prior to the start of term.



"The Learning Tutors know my strengths and weaknesses and give me tailored, specific advice on how to improve my performance."

Year 12 student



STUDY PROGRAMMES AT LANDAU FORTE COLLEGE DERBY

Academic
All A Level

Three or Four A Levels

Your likely background:
You will have mostly G.C.S.E. grades at 6 or above. You may prefer examinations but would be happy with some coursework components.

Our curriculum offer:
You will be comfortable sitting all your exams at the end of the 2 year programme of study.

Your progression opportunities:
You are likely to be aiming for a place at university.

Mixed

A Level and Vocational

Combination of
BTEC and A Levels

Your likely academic background:
You are likely to have a mix of G.C.S.E. grades, at 5 or above. You will be confident with written examinations but are also happy with regular coursework deadlines.

Our curriculum offer:
You will prefer not to sit all exams at the end of the 2 year programme.

Your progression opportunities:
You are likely to be aiming for a place at university and need the best possible grade profile to maximise your chances.

Vocational

All A Level Vocational

BTEC Qualifications

Your likely academic background:
You are likely to have a mix of G.C.S.E. grades, at 5 or above. You may be more confident with regular coursework deadlines but are also happy to sit some exams.

Your progression opportunities:
Vocational qualifications are valued by employers and can lead to apprenticeships. Equally you may progress onto Higher Education at University.

"You are not trying to fit in as if you were never a part of this school; everything is so natural and smooth and I guarantee you will not regret coming to Landau Forte College."

Year 13 student



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We want:

- You to maximise your academic potential whilst developing your character, abilities, confidence, curiosity and love of learning.
- You to feel that you are welcomed, challenged, inspired, valued, secure and cared for.
- You to enjoy your learning and enjoy coming to Landau-Forte College every day.
- You to have as many choices available to you as possible, before, during and after your time with us.



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