



Sigma Sixth HDHS

Prospectus

College @ Sigma Sixth HDHS

Welcome to Sigma Sixth HDHS, our new sixth form college. A college, which supports a journey of self-discovery and prepares students for the next stage in their lives.

We have the expertise to direct students towards the correct pathway of study; tailored for them, so that by the end of year 13 they are confident of their choices for life beyond college. Students are encouraged to study the subjects they are passionate about and discover who they really are and determine where they want to go.

The unique levels of support for students, provided through individualised mentoring enables Sigma Sixth students to become independent learners and free thinkers, and to develop the confidence to take on responsibilities and make new and lasting friendships.

“Students in the sixth form are overwhelmingly positive about the opportunities provided”

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Discover Yourself,



Studying at Sigma Sixth HDHS is a personal experience. Our students are individuals with a range of aspirations but all use their time here to nurture their potential and move closer to their ambitions.

Sigma Sixth HDHS provides a genuine college experience for the young people in Tendring. With around 500 students, we provide an exciting and diverse experience where staff take a keen interest in each student as an individual. We are there to mentor and support them through their time with us. Whatever path chosen, we will be there to help and guide.



Define Your Future

Campus @ Sigma Sixth HDHS

The facilities and learning environment in Harwich, including a working salon and fully equipped technology suites are complimented by the main Tending facilities, including specialist art and design studios, dance studio, theatre performance space, mac suite and recording studio, 4-court sports hall and astro turf pitches, well-equipped technology workshops, excellent ICT provision, modern social spaces and on site café.

“In the sixth form, students’ progress is very strong on academic courses and exceptional on vocational courses.”

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A photograph of students in a dance studio. Two students in the foreground are wearing black leggings and white t-shirts, performing a dance move. Other students are visible in the background. The floor is dark blue with yellow tape markings. Large windows are on the right side of the room.

Community



Success @ Sigma Sixth HDHS

Our sixth form has a proven track record of delivering examination success which is driven by our commitment to excellence in teaching and learning.

Some of our students aspire to study sciences or law and apply to Russell Group universities, others want to continue their studies at specialist universities of the arts, music or technology. Some will be considering the world of work, or possibly a gap year before taking a degree course, but whatever path they choose we are there to help and guide them.

**Excellence in
everything
we do.**

Excellence

“Sixth-form students make excellent progress because of high-quality provision and support.”

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Enrichment @ Sigma Sixth HDHS

Our unique enrichment curriculum includes opportunities for our students to broaden their knowledge and develop their personal and social skills. Some of our enrichment courses lead to a recognised qualification to enhance and complement their studies.

We offer:

EPQ: The Extended Project Qualification is equivalent to an AS Level. Students research a topic of their choice to develop more mature writing skills demonstrating a higher level of academic ability; valued by universities.

E4L: Equipped 4 Life is designed to give college leavers the tools needed to progress to life beyond post-16 study. Focusing on CV writing, interview technique, communication skills, leadership and much more.

Core Maths: This course is excellent for students whose aspirations may include careers with elements of maths and statistics, without having to study the full maths A Level, and can be advantageous when you apply for apprenticeships or university.

LAMDA: A performing arts qualification. It is an opportunity for those who want to deepen and extend their skills and experiences in performance and improve confidence in public speaking and will support with interview preparation.

A group of students wearing red and black wetsuits are standing on a sandy beach, holding long paddles. They appear to be preparing for a water sports activity. The background shows a beach with some structures and a cloudy sky.

Opportunity

Unity @ Sigma Sixth HDHS

College students collaborate and contribute to a lively programme of extra-curricular activities linking with the University of Essex, other sixth form providers, younger students and the wider community.

On campus activities include, the bar mock trial, film club, student council and debate club, to name but a few.

Whether interested in building a skyscraper, curing cancer, playing the stock market or unfolding the mysteries of the universe, our STEM team provides the perfect platform towards achieving an inspirational career. College students lead and mentor younger students to develop the next generation of STEM leaders.

Our students have access to excellent sporting facilities including; a 4-court sports hall, a full size all weather pitch, tennis courts, basketball courts and table tennis. Students are active in a number of team sports competing against other local teams.

There is genuinely something for everyone at our college.

Contribute



Futures @ Sigma Sixth HDHS

Our work experience programmes provide the ideal link between sixth form and the independence of university or work. Through our teaching, partnerships, industry links, pastoral care and monitoring, we aim to boost ambition and a culture of high expectations.

Our careers hub provides students with ideas and inspirations for next steps. For those preparing for life after college we arrange careers interviews, mentoring from business leaders, help with applications and CVs and advice on student finance.

Our Personal, Social, Health & Economic learning days, together with visits and taster days help support submissions for job applications, personal statements for UCAS or apprenticeship applications.

“Effective Personal, Social, Health & Economic learning is delivered through the established curriculum and a comprehensive mentoring programme.”

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Connection





Support @ Sigma Sixth HDHS

Sigma Sixth recognises each student as an individual. At Sigma Sixth HDHS, students will experience a bespoke induction programme that identifies their best attributes and seeks to overcome any barriers to progress and learning.

Students have a sixth form mentor who works to strengthen their individual potential to achieve in the highly competitive world they will be entering, whether it is remaining in education at university, progressing to employment or an apprenticeship.

Students have timetabled on site study periods each week and can access their work in school and at home through google classrooms. We encourage an independent work ethic in preparation for life after Sigma Sixth HDHS.

Direction

Admissions @ Sigma Sixth HDHS

We welcome applications from internal and external applicants.

You can download the application form at:

www.sigmasixth.org.uk

or email us at:

sixthform@hdhs.school



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