

# Year 9

# Options Evening



# Year 9 Pastoral Team



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# Information Evening

- Student Experience and Advice
- Collaborative Working
- Careers Advice
- Introduction to Options

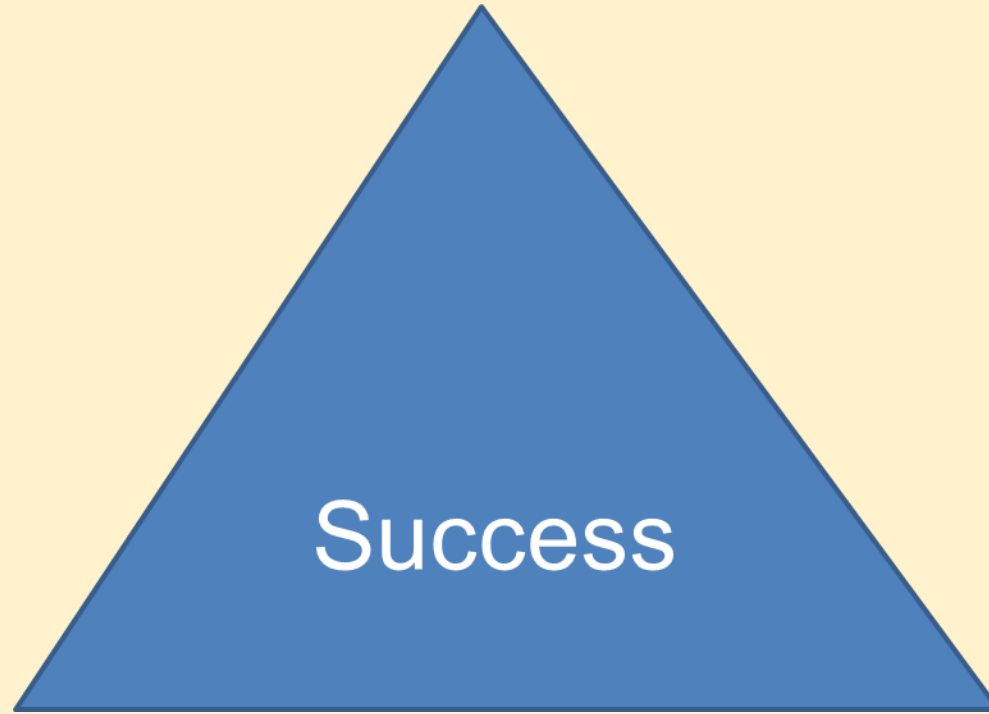


# The Next two Years.....

- A strong finish to KS3 to be the solid foundation required for KS4
- Continuing the journey to independence
- High expectations
- Routines and habits– homework, uniform, lanyards and equipment
- Co-curricular opportunities
- Enjoy the positives as a family – celebrate success however big or small
- ATTENDANCE!



Student



Success

Teachers/Pastoral Care

Parents/Carers



# Two Students Year 10

- 1 how they went about making choices/the importance of researching subjects and asking questions. Libby James
- 2 what year 10 looks like/organisation/opportunities around subject/staying on top of workload. Will Brear



# How do I decide on the subjects to study at GCSE

- Consider what you want to be doing when you are 16 or 18
- 'A' Levels or vocational studies
- University, college, apprenticeships or the world of work
- Research the individual subjects
- Watch the videos – how is the subject taught and delivered.
- Discuss your thoughts openly
- How will your choices support long term goals?



# Important Guidance

- Friends
- Teachers
  
- **Choose subjects you are good at and that you enjoy**
- **We want students to be happy in their studies**





“The bad news is.... from now on time flies. The good news is....  
Your child is the pilot”



# Career support Year 9 students have had to date

- As part of their PHSE lessons all students have had an introduction to 'working life'
- Fortnightly career lessons that include using Unifrog, inform students on opportunities that are available to them
- Weekly 'career of the week' is shared, a short 2/3 mins video. Different career focus every week!
- In lessons, subject teachers signpost students by linking units of work / study with possible careers or pathways for the future



# Career & Option support over the next few months

- Subject leaders deliver in person, subject assemblies to the year group. All option subjects are covered. This information will then be re-messaged during form time with form tutor.
- First week of February Yr9 reports will be circulated, these can be used to discuss options with subject teachers at parents evening on Thursday 6 February
- From the 2nd week in February each student will have a 1 to 1 interview with either a member of Leadership or SEND team



# **\*\*Monday 3 February- Options information goes live \*\***

- Here you will find information on all subjects, core and options and advice on how to approach and complete the options process
- Under each subject heading you will find a video from the subject leader, links to the exam specification for that subject, the subject roadmap and useful links and information for that subject.
- Information about Unifrog and how it can be of use to you and your child when making decisions about subjects or planning future careers

Email. [options@guiseleyschool.org.uk](mailto:options@guiseleyschool.org.uk)



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# INTRODUCTION TO OPTIONS



# WHAT WILL THEY STUDY?

- All Students take a common core
  - English Language
  - English Literature
  - Maths
  - Science Double/ Triple
  - PSHE (not examined)
  - Core PE (not examined)





# HOW MANY OPTIONS DO THEY DO?

- Students will pick 4 Options.
- One option from each block
- They will pick 2 reserves



Option Block A	Option Block B	Option Block C	Option Block D
Computer Science	Computer Science	Computer Science	Computer Science
Geography	Geography	Geography	Geography
German	German	German	German
History	History	History	History
Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish
	GCSE PE	GCSE PE	GCSE PE
	Religious Studies	Religious Studies	Religious Studies
	Digital Photography	Art	Drama (GCSE)
	Music (GCSE)	OCR National Creative Imedia	BTEC Performing Arts
	BTEC Music Practice	Product Design	OCR National Enterprise and Marketing
	Product Design	Textiles	Hospitality and Catering
	Textiles		Engineering

## Notes

Some subjects must be capped.

Some combinations are not allowed e.g. product design and textiles.

Subjects may not run if not enough students pick the subject.



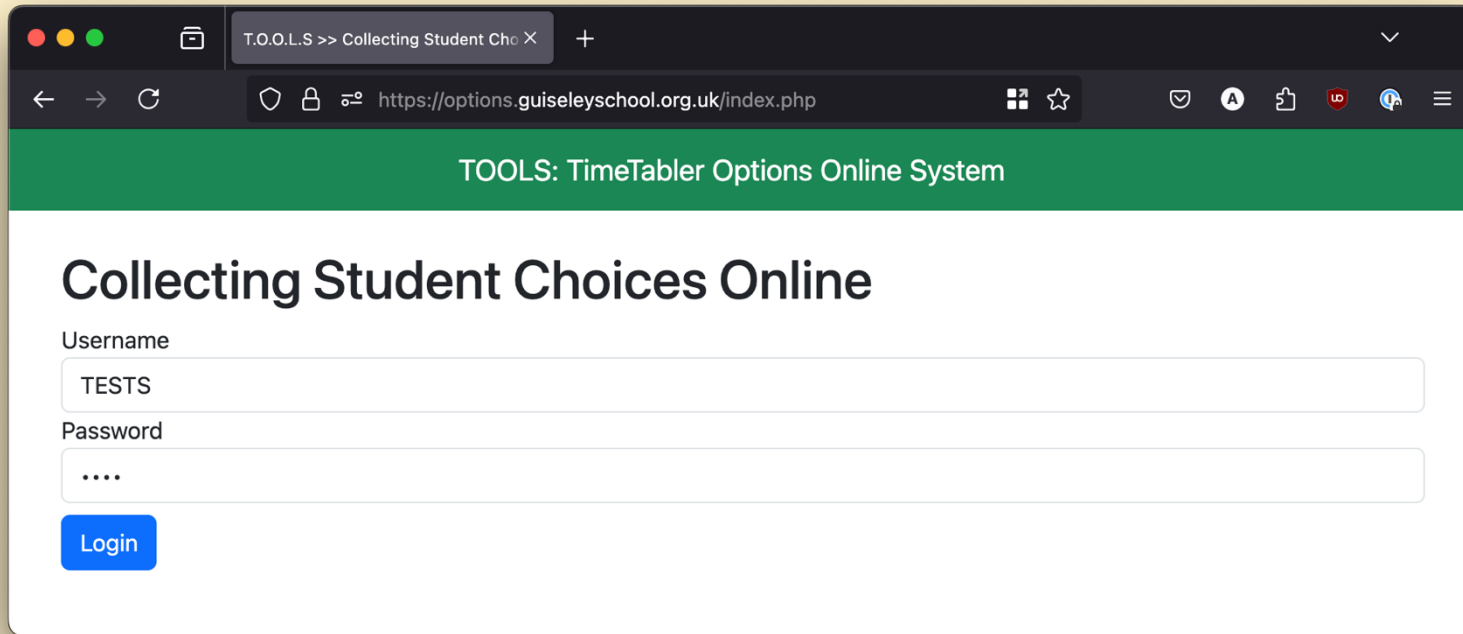
# HOW DO I SUBMIT THE CHOICES?

This is done via the school website.

We will send a full instruction sheet so that you can start to submit from 14/02/25



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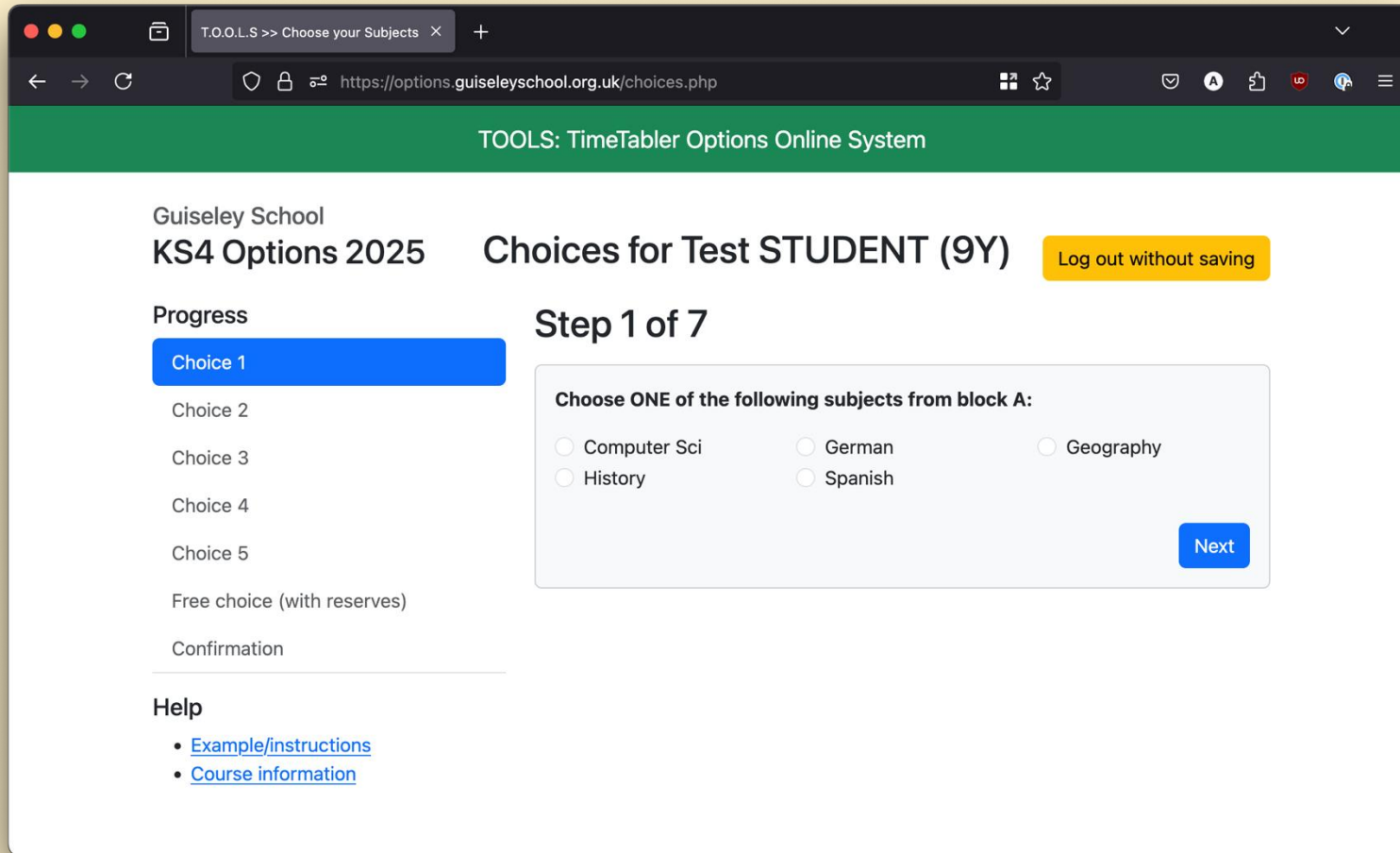


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- Page title: TOOLS: TimeTabler Options Online System
- Section title: Collecting Student Choices Online
- Username field: Labeled "Username", containing the text "TESTS".
- Password field: Labeled "Password", containing four dots "....".
- Login button: A blue button labeled "Login".

Go to the TOOLS site and enter the username and password emailed to you.

# How do I submit the choices?



T.O.O.L.S >> Choose your Subjects

https://options.guiseleyschool.org.uk/choices.php

TOOLS: TimeTabler Options Online System

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Choices for Test STUDENT (9Y) [Log out without saving](#)

Progress

- Choice 1
- Choice 2
- Choice 3
- Choice 4
- Choice 5
- Free choice (with reserves)
- Confirmation

Step 1 of 7

Choose ONE of the following subjects from block A:

Computer Sci     German     Geography  
 History     Spanish

[Next](#)

Help

- [Example/instructions](#)
- [Course information](#)

You will be taken through each of the blocks. Choose a subject then click 'Next'.

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- [Choice: German](#)
- [Choice: GCSE Music](#)
- [Choice: Textiles](#)
- [Choice: GCSE PE](#)
- [Choice: Triple Science](#)
- [Free choice \(with reserves\)](#)**
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**Step 6 of 7**

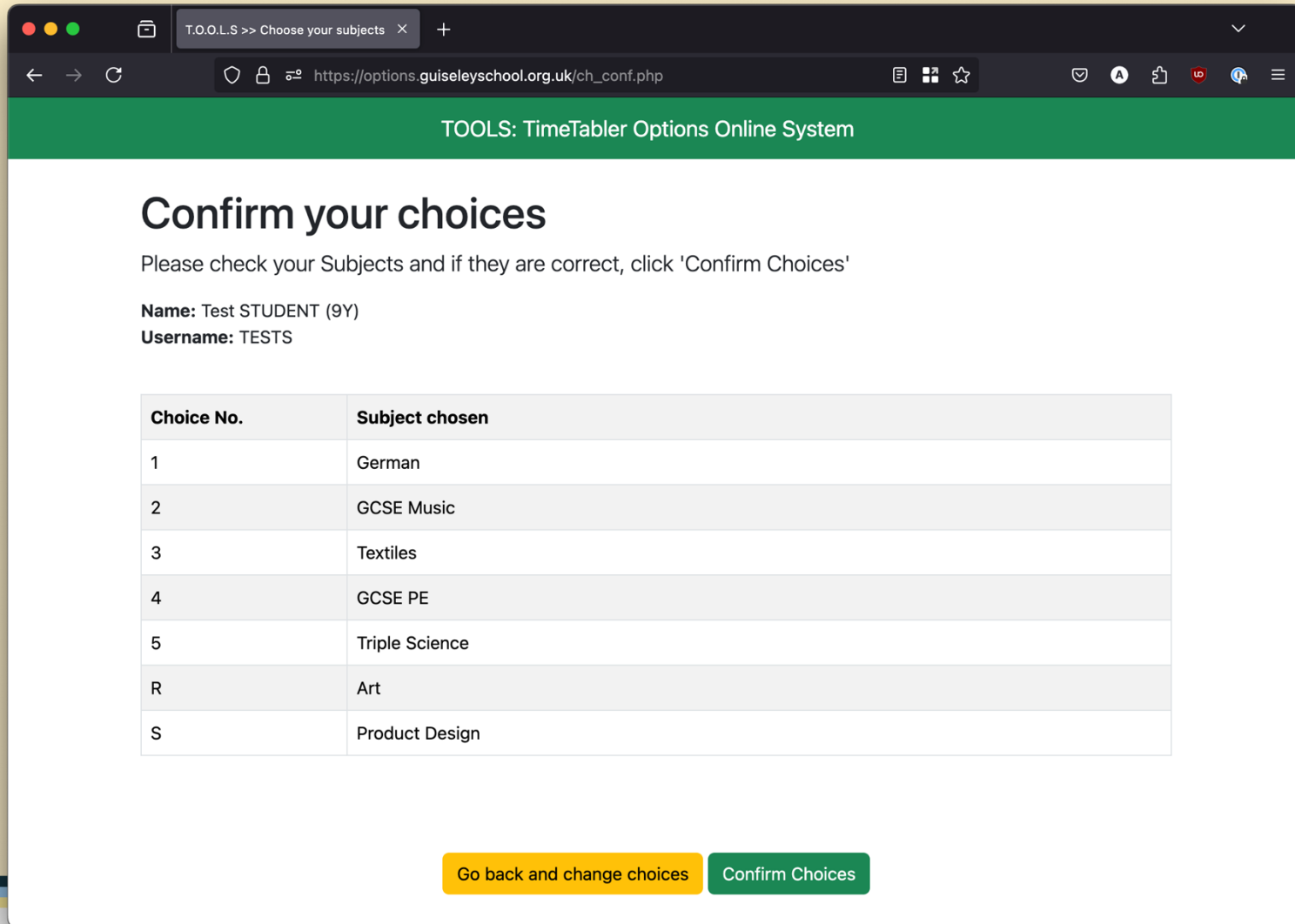
To mark your Reserve choice, put 'R' by that subject.

To mark your Second reserve choice, put 'S' by that subject.

Subject	Choice
Art (Art)	<input type="text"/>
Hosp & Catering (Cat)	<input type="text"/>
Creative iMedia (CMed)	<input type="text"/>
Computer Sci (Comp)	<input type="text"/>
German (Deu)	Already selected
BTEC Perf Arts (Dra B)	<input type="text"/>
Drama (Dra G)	<input type="text"/>
Product Design (DT P)	<input type="text"/>

Once you've made your block choices, choose two reserves by marking with 'R' and 'S'.

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**Confirm your choices**

Please check your Subjects and if they are correct, click 'Confirm Choices'

**Name:** Test STUDENT (9Y)  
**Username:** TESTS

Choice No.	Subject chosen
1	German
2	GCSE Music
3	Textiles
4	GCSE PE
5	Triple Science
R	Art
S	Product Design

[Go back and change choices](#) [Confirm Choices](#)

Confirm the choices you've made, then fill in an email address to receive confirmation.

# QUESTIONS AND MYTHS

- Have I got to submit straight away so that my child gets their choices?
- Will my child be taught by the same teacher they have now?
- My child wants to do XXXX because their friends are doing it, is this a good idea?
- I want to make sure my child gets to do XXX can they pick this as a first choice and put it as a reserve?
- My child has had their option choices confirmed and want to change because they don't know anyone in their group can you change their group or their choices?
- (September 2025) My child has been doing the subject for a few week now and has decided they want to change, can they change subject to .....?
- (October 2025) My child wants to change subject can they change now?



# Key Dates

W/c Monday 13 January	Option subject assemblies in school
Tuesday 21 January	Year 9 Information Evening
Wednesday 22 January	Launch of Option helpdesk email
W/c Monday 3 February	Year 9 Assessments to parent/carers
W/c Monday 3 February	Year 9 Options information hub opens on school website
Thursday 6 February	Year 9 Parents' Evening 4pm-8pm
W/c Monday 10 February	1 to 1 Option interviews with students commence
February / March	Consultation and decision-making time
Tuesday 4 march	Deadline for Option form returns





# Celebration of Results

