

# West Lothian Academy 2023 – 2024

The West Lothian Academy is not the same as studying a subject within your own school and applies a different operating model. It is an extended/additional online programme offered to young people who can't access a course within their own school, therefore widening access to the courses available throughout West Lothian Council.

## Students

What to expect and your role if studying on the West Lothian Academy
Full column allocation
Two periods each week of "live learning" via Microsoft Teams
Must attend all "live learning" classes with camera turned on
Responsible for own learning and using all allocated periods efficiently and effectively
Conduct yourself safely, responsibly and appropriately at all times
Other allocated periods provided for self-learning/study as communicated and supported by class teacher (Microsoft Teams and Class Notebook)
Regular tracking updates received via own school (completed by class teacher)
In-person taught tutorials (approximately twice per term) at a central venue, transport provided
Exams/prelims will be taken in own school
All/any agreed ASN support requirements in place
Commit to the course for the full year/session – withdrawing from the course is not within the expectations, think very carefully at course choice time. Is this the right course and way of learning for you at this stage?
If you are interested in studying any Modern Languages Advanced Higher courses, please speak to a Mrs Bulloch. This can be considered via a slightly alternative route to the West Lothian Academy Advanced Higher operating model in partnership with Edinburgh College
Due to the live learning element on either a Tuesday or Thursday afternoon, students can choose to study up to two (maximum) West Lothian Academy courses

## Parents/Carers

Summary of what to expect
Regular tracking/progress updates completed by class teacher and disseminated by own school throughout the year
One parents/carers evening following prelims (likely to be end of January) to meet with the class teacher about progress/strengths and next steps
West Lothian Academy point of contact – Mrs Bulloch

Discuss fully with your child at course choice time – is this the right course and way of learning for your child?

All agreed ASN support will be provided in discussion with yourself, your child, your child's school and the class teacher

**Courses Offered 2023-24**

Courses and SCQF Level	
Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Biology	Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Maths
Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Business	Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Modern Studies
Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Chemistry	Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Music
Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Computing	Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) PE
Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) English	Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Physics
Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Geography	Higher (SCQF 6) Politics
Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) Graphics	Higher (SCQF 6) Psychology
Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) History	Advanced Higher (SCQF 7) RMPS