

**EXTERNAL APPLICANTS TO TIFFIN GIRLS' SIXTH FORM**  
**ENTRY FOR SEPTEMBER 2026**  
**POST-GCSE RESULTS APPLICATION PROCESS**

**General Information**

External students will be able to make a post-GCSE results application to Tiffin Girls' Sixth Form in person on Thursday 20 August between 9am and 5pm.

There is no need to arrive at school first in time; all applications received by 5pm on 20 August will be considered according to our published admissions criteria here:

<https://fra1.digitaloceanspaces.com/tiffingirls.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/19113843/The-Tiffin-Girls-School-Determined-Admissions-Arrangements-for-sixth-form-entry-September-2026.pdf>

On 20 August please come to the main school reception and you will be directed to a waiting area where you will be asked to complete a short application form with basic information and **four** subject choices (see below for more information about this).

All **successful** applicants will be contacted by the school as soon as we are able after applications are made. We will **not** contact you if we are unable to offer you a place. The school will be unable to provide information on the rank or status of applications.

**What do I need to bring with me on 20 August?**

**Please note that you may have to ask your current school for some of the supporting documents before the end of the current academic year as your school office may not be open in the holidays to help you.**

Please bring the following documents which will form part of your application:

1. A **copy** of your GCSE/iGCSE results sheet **from your school** (and a **copy** of any GCSE/iGCSE results certificates awarded before August 2026) for us to keep;
2. A **copy** of your birth certificate or passport for us to keep;
3. **If applicable**, a **copy** of either:
  - Evidence of your Looked After (or previously Looked After) status – this should be available from your local borough; “Looked After” status means you either live in care or are a care-leaver.
  - Evidence that your school has received for you either Pupil Premium or Service Premium Funding (or they have done so in the past 6 years) – your school will be able to provide a letter for you;
  - Evidence that you are receiving Free School Meals ('FSM') (or have received FSM in the past 6 years) – you may have confirmation from

your local borough or your school will be able to provide a letter for you.

Please note that your application will **not** be complete until all of the above documents can be added to your application form. For clarity, every applicant should bring the items listed 1 and 2 above and you only need bring an item from number 3 if this applies to you.

### **What if I cannot apply in person on 20 August?**

If you cannot come to school in person on 20 August you may nominate someone to attend on your behalf to make your application. They must have all the documentation required and set out in the paragraphs above and must arrive at school between 9am and 5pm.

### **Other general information:**

#### **A Level Subject Choices**

You will need to choose **four** A level subjects – please see the list of available subjects in our subject guide in the admissions section of our website here:

<https://www.tiffingirls.org/admissions/sixth-form/>

### **Further detail on Maths routes in our Sixth Form**

**For those students who wish to study A Level Maths, there are two different routes available in Year 12:**

#### **Route 1 (M1):**

Study the Maths A Level course over 2 years. This is the most commonly-taken route, and is the appropriate route for the vast majority of students who wish to take Maths in the Sixth Form.

#### **Route 2 (M2):**

Study the full Maths A Level course in Year 12, then study Further Mathematics in Year 13. All public exams for Maths and Further Maths are sat at the end of Year 13. This route requires more maths lessons per week and the pace is fast. For entry criteria to Route 2 Maths, please refer to the school's Sixth Form Admissions Policy, available in the admissions section of the school website.

Please note that following Route 2 in Year 12 is a fixed commitment that limits a students' flexibility for their subject choices when moving into Year 13. By opting for Route 2 in Year 12, students are effectively choosing to complete four subjects all the way through to full A Level at the end of Year 13 - i.e. Maths, Further Maths and their other two subjects - or three full A Levels and an AS Level in Further Maths. If they wish to drop a subject when moving into Y13, it must be Further Maths, i.e. they would move from Route 2 to Route 1. Students will not be able to complete A Levels in Maths, Further Maths and only one other subject.

Based on the information above, it should be clear that students must decide wisely regarding Route 2 Maths in the knowledge that they would be making a firm commitment to completing Further Maths in its entirety, or for it to be the only

subject that can be dropped. Completing Further Maths therefore means completing 4 full A Levels.

Students should therefore only opt for Route 2 Maths if it is absolutely necessary for their future path, which is unlikely to be the case for the vast majority of the year group. By illustration, only around 25 students per year have completed full A Level Further Maths in our most recent leavers' cohorts. Route 2 Maths has always been aimed at students who intend to study degrees that require A Level Further Maths; these degrees are Maths, Physics, Engineering, Computer Science, Economics. It should be noted that all of these degrees are available at many highly competitive universities without A Level Further Maths, and only a fairly small minority of universities require Further Maths for any degree. Students must research this carefully using reputable sources: the UCAS website, and universities' own websites are the best option.

### **Summer Transition Work**

If you receive an offer of a place after 20 August you will be given a link to the summer transition work for all of your A level subjects, to be handed in to your teachers in the first week of term for grading. The work for each subject is expected to take approximately 2-3 hours. The link will only be provided if you receive an offer.

### **Travel to School**

We would encourage you to consider the practicalities of your journey to school. The school day starts with registration at 8.30am and we expect students to attend school, and arrive punctually, each day regardless of where they live. You may wish to try the journey to see how long it takes to arrive at 8.30am and consider whether this is practical in the context of demanding A level studies.

### **School Day Timings**

For Year 12 students the school day begins at 8.30am and ends at 3.15pm. Students have the privilege of signing out to go off-site at lunchtime but must be in school for the rest of the day, whether or not they have timetabled lessons or study periods.

In Year 13 we extend the students' off-site privileges, and we will share details of this at the appropriate time.

### **Documents**

For unsuccessful applicants all documents that you give or send to us will be destroyed after 30 September 2026.

### **Further Information and Questions**

If you have any questions, please look at the sixth form admissions information on the school website here: <https://www.tiffingirls.org/admissions/sixth-form/>