

DIRECTORS' REPORT SRPING TERM 2016	ITEM NO 3	FOR INFORMATION	ATTENTION OF: Secondary only
TITLE	Secondary Curriculum and Qualification Changes: English Baccalaureate		
SUMMARY	A brief overview of the proposals for implementing the English Baccalaureate		
KEY ACTION POINTS			
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English Baccalaureate (EBacc)

The government's goal is that, in time, at least 90% of pupils in mainstream secondary schools will enter the EBacc (English Language A*-C, any grade in English Literature, A*-C in maths, history or geography, a language and core and additional science, two single science (bust must enter all three)).

This government is consulting on six proposals:

- The EBacc becomes the default option for all pupils, but that schools should be able to determine the small minority of pupils for whom taking the whole EBacc is not appropriate
- The EBacc will become a headline measure of secondary school performance
- EBacc entry and attainment will be given a more prominent role in the Ofsted inspection framework, although, as now, no single measure will determine the outcome of an inspection
- EBacc entry and attainment data for mainstream secondary schools with similar characteristics and intakes will also be published by the government to allow schools, parents, and Ofsted, to understand how similar schools compare to each other
- To add a measure to the additional information showing the EBacc Average Point Score. This measure would give the average point score across the 5 pillars of the EBacc, with zero for a missing pillar
- A number of education settings provide a specialist education: University Technical Colleges (UTCs), studio schools, further education colleges, special schools and alternative provision (AP). For special schools and AP, we propose to publish data on the numbers of pupils entering and achieving the EBacc but will not expect them to meet the 90% ambition. For UTCs, studio schools and further education colleges we are consulting on how the policy should apply

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/implementing-the-english-baccalaureate>

The consultation closes on 29th January 2016.