



## Tariq

### Choosing the right options for YOU

You have to be really careful choosing your options because the subjects you pick that day, are the subjects you'll be doing for the remaining years in high school. Make sure your options are based on the subjects you see yourself making exceptional progress in and of course, the subjects you enjoy. For example if you're a keen sportsman/woman, it would make sense for you to pick PE as one of your options.

### What not to do

- **Don't** – pick a subject just because you like that teacher, then again, don't ignore a subject because you don't like a specific teacher
- **Don't** – base your options on what your friends have chosen... choose for yourself
- **Don't** – let teachers pressure you into choosing their subject. Every teacher is going to want you to choose the topic they specialise in but it's your responsibility to make sure you research about the subject before making the final decision.

### Advice

If you have any problems regarding your options, I would go to the subject teacher and discuss the issue or tell the head of year in your school to try and sort out the problem.

The mistake that a lot of people make is that they don't ask enough about the subject before they pick it. By not asking, you may not know what type of exam prep is needed and the expectations may be different to what you think.