Northern Schools Trust

Sixth Form Independent Learning Policy: Up Learn

This policy outlines the expectations for students using Up Learn as part of their independent learning for A Level studies. NST has provided a subscription to Up Learn for all Sixth Form students studying A Levels in Maths, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Economics, and Psychology. If students were to subscribe individually, the cost would be £477 per subject. Up Learn provides everything you need to get an A*/A at A Level in your subject, as efficiently as possible.

Requirements:

1. **Up Learn Usage**

Students are required to complete the following on Up Learn each week:

    a. **For each subject (excluding Maths):** Complete 2 sections per week.
    b. **For Maths:** Complete 1 section per week.

These sections will be assigned by class teachers. Please encourage students to complete the prerequisite test for each section. The platform is adaptive and will tailor the section requirements based on the answers provided in this test.

2. **Independent Learning Time**

Curriculum recommendations from the Department for Education for A Levels suggest that students complete a total of **5 hours of independent study per subject per week.** We therefore suggest that students complete up to 3 hours of teacher set homework per week, alongside **2 hours** dedicated to independent practice on Up Learn. The time recorded on Up Learn refers to expected time value for the completed task rather than the actual time taken for the student to complete the task.

Accountability & Monitoring

Student progress on Up Learn will be monitored. Failure to meet the required number of sections each week will be addressed, and students may be required to attend additional timetabled sessions to catch up with missing work.

3. **Support & Guidance**

If students are struggling with Up Learn content or meeting the requirements, they are encouraged to seek support from their subject teachers to ensure continued progress and success.