

Skills Challenge Certificate

2021

Details at a Glance

Qualification

Skills Challenge

Certificate

Level

1 & 2

Exam Board

WJEC

Tiered

Yes

Limited Group size

No

Staff

J Griffiths

Course Structure

The central focus of the Skills Challenge Certificate is to provide a vehicle for 14-16 year olds to consolidate & develop essential & employability skills, including Communication, Numeracy, Digital Literacy, Planning & Organisation, Creativity & Organisation and Critical Thinking & Problem Solving.

The qualification will help learners to prepare for their future by developing skills, attributes and behaviours valued by post-16 educators and potential employers.

Together with supporting qualifications, it contributes towards the Welsh Baccalaureate and Cefn Saeson expects all pupils to attempt the skills challenge which consists of

four components:

Individual Project

Pupils choose their own theme e.g sport, global warming, employment, teenage pregnancy

Enterprise & Employability Challenge

e.g. Fairtrade, product design including an app

Community Challenge

e.g. charity work, buddy reading, coaching, councillors

Global Citizenship Challenge

e.g. world poverty, security, energy supplies

The Skills Challenge Certificate is taught over 120 hours from Year 9 to Year 11



Examination/Assessment

The Certificate will be awarded at two levels

All four components are assessed and a final grade will be awarded.

National Level (A* - C)

To achieve the National Level, pupils must pass at least 5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at a grade 'C' or above *in addition* to passing the components.

Foundation (D - G)

To achieve the Foundation Level, pupils must pass at least 5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at any grade *in addition* to passing the components.

Examination Board Website -

<http://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/welsh-baccalaureate/welsh-bacc-from-2015/ks4-national-foundation/>