



You will be taught in the Health and Social Care Department situated in block one of the school. The department has two class rooms, a resource library and over 30 computers. We have a caring attitude towards students and their learning but expect very high standards and this combination enables students to achieve very high results.

### The Teaching Team

Miss Corinaldi & Miss Davies

Together this team have been teaching Technicals since 2014.

### Our Results

Our results are fantastic, in fact last year they were the best in the school!

100% of our students achieved a D or D\* this is the equivalent to an A or A\* A-Level. We are delighted that this has enabled these students to progress to university studying a range of courses.

### Vocational Education

To enable our students to reach their potential in the health and social care sector we have introduced a vocational element to many units, this often makes up part of the assessment e.g. planning and delivering a primary school trip. We believe this is an essential part of the course as it will enable students to gain work related skills that are necessary to enter work or university after leaving Balcarras Sixth Form.

### Progression

The Cambridge Technicals provide an ideal foundation for students to progress to more advanced studies and to the workplace.

#### **University:**

Courses include: nursing, speech and language therapy, social work, midwifery, teaching, early years studies, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and health and social care to name but a few.

#### **Employment:**

Child care, auxiliary nursing, caring for the elderly, teaching assistants, physio assistant and caring for the mentally ill.

#### **On-the-job Training:**

Qualifications include: NVQ's levels 3 & 4, sign language and other professional qualifications.

### Further Information:

Exam Board: OCR

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From strength to strength



Your Guide to the OCR

Level 3 (Applied General) Cambridge

Technical in

Health and Social Care

Extended Certificate =

1 A-Level Equivalent

## Mandatory units: for all students

### Building positive relationships in health and social care (internally assessed)

- Understand relationships in health, social care or child care environments
- Understand the factors that influence the building of relationships
- Understand how a person-centred approach builds positive relationships in health, social care or child care environments.
- Be able to use communication skills effectively to build positive relationships in a health, social care or child care environment.

### Equality, diversity and rights in health and social care (externally assessed)

- Understand concepts of equality, diversity and rights and how these are applied in the context of health, social care or child care environments
- Understand the impact of discriminatory practices on individuals in health, social care or child care environments.
- Understand how current legislation and national initiatives promote ant discriminatory practice in health, social care and child care environments.
- Understand how equality, diversity and rights in health, social care and child care environments are promoted.

## OCR Level 3

### Cambridge Technical Applied General Extended Certificate

A revolutionary and **nationally recognised qualification** which is the equivalent to an A-Level however, it benefits from internal assessment. Therefore this elevates some of the stress and pressure of exams.

**Universities have recognised this qualification** as an A-level equivalent and they are awarding it the same UCAS points as an A-level, therefore a Distinction\* in the OCR Level 3 Certificate is worth the same as an A-level grade A\* and therefore it is worth 140 UCAS points.

Cambridge Technicals have been developed with a number of universities, leading employers and industry specialists who have a reputation for offering **creative and inspiring vocational qualifications**. They have a clear, practical and sensible approach to assessment and will enable students to **develop transferable skills** that are essential in the workplace or for further study.

**Cambridge Technicals are 42% internally assessed. The external assessments (exams) can be taken in January and June and students are able to resit them.**

There is a **natural progression through the grading** criteria from Pass through to Merit and Distinction, reflecting current sector practice.

## Mandatory units: for all students:

### Health, safety and security in health and social care (externally assessed)

- Understand potential hazards in health, social care and child care environments.
- Understand how legislation, policies and procedures promote health, safety and security in health, social care and child care environments.
- Understand the roles and responsibilities involved in health, safety and security in health, social care and child care environments.
- Know how to respond to incidents and emergencies in health, social care and child care environments are promoted.

In Year 13 all students will complete and externally assessed unit Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care

## Year 13 Optional Units: (Internally Assessed)

- Infection control
- Supporting people with learning disabilities
- Nutrition for health
- Sexual health, reproduction and early development stages
- The impact of long-term physiological conditions
- Supporting people with dementia
- Supporting people with mental health conditions
- Looked after children and young people