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**Controlled Secondary School**

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| **Age Range of pupils:** | 11-19 |
| **Admissions Number:** | 210 |
| **Enrolment Number:** | 1250 |

**Open Night**

Due to ongoing public health guidance, we will not be running an open evening this year. Parents and P6/7 pupils are encouraged to visit our website and Facebook page to access our prospectus and additional information. We would also strongly encourage any parents who have additional queries to contact us via the email account above and we will facilitate a virtual meeting or phone call with relevant staff.

**Admissions Criteria For Entry Into Year 8**

**Respective functions of the Board of Governors and Principal in relation to Admission to the school**
The Board of Governors will determine the admissions criteria. The criteria will be applied by the Principal who may, if necessary, refer to an admissions sub-committee. When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will **only** take into account information that is detailed on or uploaded to the online application form. Parents/Carers should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on the online application or uploaded to it.

Children resident in Northern Ireland at the time of their proposed admission will be given preference over those not so resident.

In the event of over-subscription, the following criteria will be applied in the order set down in determining those children to be admitted to Year 8. Applicants should note that they may be required to produce documents verifying their address or age of the child.

1. Pupils who have brothers/sisters who are currently enrolled in Carrickfergus Academy.
2. Pupils who attended schools in the catchment area of the school. These schools include:

Abbots Cross, Acorn Integrated, Ballycarry, Ballynure, Carrickfergus Integrated, Carrickfergus Model, Eden, Greenisland, Islandmagee Primary School, Kings Park, Mossley, Oakfield, Silverstream, St Nicholas', Straid, Sunnylands, Toreagh, Victoria, Whiteabbey, Whitehead, Whitehouse, Woodburn and Woodlawn.

3. Those pupils who are the eldest or only child or where the eldest child attends a special school the child applying is the next eldest sibling.
4. Selection for any places remaining will be on the basis of the initial letter of the surname, with pupils being selected in order as set out below. The order was determined by a randomized selection of letters.

**Y B G N C Q A D F K T H E P M L I Z X U Mc Mac W S V O J R**

**It is expected that pupils seeking entry to the school and their parents will agree and fully support the ethos, policies, procedures, code of conduct and high standards expected in all aspects of school life.**

**ADMISSIONS TO YEAR 8 AFTER 1 SEPTEMBER 2022**
Parents who wish to have their child considered for admission in the event of a place arising after 1st September 2022 should write to the Principal clearly stating this. Should a vacancy arise, the above criteria will be applied to select pupils from our waiting list.

**Year 8 Applications and Admissions**

| Year | Admissions No. | Total Applications All Preferences | Total Admissions |
|---|---|---|---|
| **2019/20** | 210 | 187 | 187 |
| **2020/21** | 210 | 170 | 170 |
| **2021/22** | 210 | 150 | 150 |

**ADMISSIONS TO YEARS 9 -12**

A pupil will be considered for admission to Carrickfergus Academy at Years 9-12 within the criteria beneath:

The school enrolment number is not exceeded.

The admission of the pupil would not prejudice the efficient use of the resources of the school.

In the event of oversubscription for entry into any year from 9 to 12, priority will be given, in order, on the basis of:

pupils who have brothers/sisters who are currently enrolled in Carrickfergus Academy;

applicants who are the eldest child;

selection for any places remaining will be on the basis of the initial letter of the surname, with pupils being selected in order as set out above. The order was determined by a randomized selection of letters as given previously.

**ADMISSION TO SIXTH FORM**

The enrolment at Sixth Form has been set at 75; however, the School has been permitted to increase this and we are currently operating at just under 200 in Sixth Form. Given the oversubscription, we would encourage any prospective pupils from schools other than Carrickfergus Academy to make an early expression of interest by contacting us by telephone or emailing the school information account early in Year 12.