

The Pioneers
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THE PIONEERS ACADEMY

SECONDARY SCHOOL

ADMISSIONS POLICY

<i>Policy to be reviewed</i>	April 2023
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<i>Head Teacher and Proprietor</i>	

1. Introduction

This policy is for the specific purpose of the Secondary School.

The Pioneers Academy is a secondary school for girls aged between 11 and 16.

The School applies the regulations on admissions fairly and equally to all those who wish to attend this school.

2. Aims and objectives

Maintaining an Islamic ethos and promoting high academic standards and achievement.

All applications will be treated on merit and in a sensitive manner.

We have a limit on the number of places available. If the number of children applying for entry exceeds the places available, we enforce the procedure set out below in order to determine whether a child is accepted or not. It is our wish to allow parents the right to have a place at our school. However, this is not always possible, due to the excess demand on the school places available.

Our school does have criteria of admission, preference is given to families who have:

- Other siblings in the school
- Islamic commitment
- Relocated especially for an Islamic school
- Live locally
- Ability to pay the fees
- Academic ability of the child
- Supportiveness of parents
- Date of application

We are an inclusive school that welcomes girls aged 11-16 from all backgrounds and abilities. We accept children who have a statement of special educational needs or disabilities, based upon an assessment of needs and the school's capacity to make reasonable adjustments in order to provide a good level of education for the individual.

3. How parents can apply for their child to be admitted to our school

As our school is an independent school, the school determines the admission based on the above criteria. Application forms can be obtained from the School website and should be completed as soon as they are received to avoid disappointment. The school notifies parents about the school place as soon as all the applications have been considered.

Parents who would like their child to be admitted to this school during the year should ensure that they complete the necessary application form by the end of **April**.

4. Admission appeals

If we do not offer your child a place at this school, and you would like to appeal, then please follow the appeals guidance below.

5. The standard number

The standard number is the number of children the school can accommodate. The standard number for our Secondary school is **180**. We will keep this number under review.

6. Class size

We will teach secondary students, girls aged 11-16 in classes that have a maximum number of 26 children.

7. Appeals

If your child's application for a place at the school is unsuccessful, you will be informed why admission was refused and given information about the process for hearing appeals. If you wish to appeal, you must set out the grounds for your appeal in writing and send it to the following address:

admin@thepioneersacademy.com

8. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed and approved by the Proprietor every year.

Whenever changes to admission arrangements are proposed (except where the change is an increase to the agreed admission number), the proprietor will publicly consult on these changes. If nothing changes, it will publicly consult on the school's admission arrangements at least once every 3 years.

Review

This policy will be reviewed annually in the light of any changed circumstances in our school or the local area. This policy was reviewed by members of the SLT and the Proprietor of the school.

NEXT REVIEW: This policy is to be reviewed: April 2024