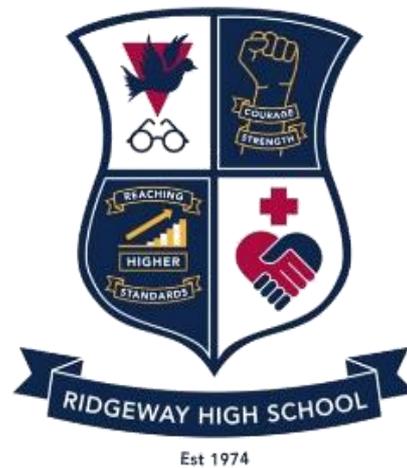


Ridgeway High School

Admissions Policy

2019-2020



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Introduction

Ridgeway High School, is an 11 to 16 co-educational all-ability secondary school. It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Foundation School the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for decisions on admissions into the school.

The indicated admissions number based on net capacity is 160 for admissions in Year 7 in 2019.

The criteria for admissions

A. Children who are looked after or were previously looked after by a local authority as defined in the Admissions Code 2012.

B. Children who have a valid medical or social reason. Supporting evidence from a doctor, social worker or a psychologist is essential if admittance to the school is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances. Such evidence must set out the specific reason/s why Ridgeway High School is the most appropriate school.

C. Pupils who have a brother or sister at the school when places are offered, including half-brothers and sisters or step-brothers and sisters, living in the same household. This can include the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child is living in the same family unit.

D. Pupils living closest to the school as determined by shortest road route. We would measure the distance from home to the school gate nearest the child's home using the shortest road route unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider to be a safe walking route. All distances will be measured by the authority's computer mapping system based on ordnance survey maps.

Appeals

If an application for admission to the school has been turned down, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel set up by the Governing Body and local authority. You can get more details from the Headteacher.

Waiting Lists

Waiting lists for admissions to all year groups will be compiled in descending order according to the published over subscription criteria.

Admissions during the academic year

In-year requests will be considered by the Headteacher and Governing Body but will initially be co-ordinated by the Local Authority. Any decisions with respect to admissions are made with reference to the same criteria as for the Year 7 placements. The school uses the negotiated transfer scheme when necessary.