

BROCKINGTON COLLEGE

ADMISSIONS POLICY

(This Policy applies to admissions for the 2016 - 2017 School Year)

Brockington College, a Church of England Academy, has at its heart a distinctive Christian ethos. Based on our Christian foundation and values we seek to promote a culture of developing every person and therefore every school policy is written from this perspective, with a commitment to learning and maturing in the context of communal and individual development. We lay particular stress on the Christian values of perseverance, learning, wisdom, justice, koinonia, forgiveness and compassion for individuals and across the school community.

On behalf of the Governing Body of Brockington College, the Leadership & Management Committee adopted this policy on 15 April 2015 and will review this policy on an annual basis.

Signature: Date:

Printed Name: Position:

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INTRODUCTION

The Governors, who are responsible for admissions to Brockington College, a Church of England Academy have agreed with the Local Authority to admit 240 pupils for each year group. This number has been agreed between the Governors and the LA and applies to admissions for the 2016-17 school year. These arrangements and the admissions criteria (below) are reviewed annually.

Though it is a Church of England Voluntary Aided School, Brockington College seeks to preserve its identity as a College for the local community, believing that this enhances community cohesion and enables those who live within its catchment area to benefit from the facilities offered at the College.

In accordance with schools admissions code of practice the Governors will admit a child with a Statement of Special Educational Needs in accordance with parental preference, provided the school is named as being the appropriate school on the Statement.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

When considering applications for admission to Brockington College, and there are more applications than places available, the Governors will offer places in the following order of priority:

1. **Children who are in public care and those children who were previously looked after children.** *Children in care of a Local Authority and those children who were previously looked after children, but ceased to be so because they were adopted, or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order, are considered under this criterion. In such circumstance a letter from the last local authority in which the child was in the care of will be required.*
2. **Children living within the school's catchment area of Enderby, Narborough, Huncote, Croft and Thurlaston.** *The child's place of residence is taken to be the parental home. Please see http://www.leics.gov.uk/catchment_details_4506.pdf for the catchment area map of Brockington College. Please note that living in the catchment area does not guarantee you a place at your catchment school.*
3. **Pupils who will have an older brother or sister attending the same school at the same time.** *The term "brother or sister" includes half brother or sister or legally adopted child being regarded as the brother or sister.*
4. **Pupils who have a serious medical condition or exceptional social or domestic needs that make it essential they attend the school requested.** *Professional documentation confirming the situation must be submitted with the application.*
5. **Pupils who will have attended a feeder school for at least two years before the time of transfer.** *The child must have been enrolled at the feeder school on or before the start date of the Autumn Term two years before transfer.*
6. **Pupils requesting a C of E school on bona fide denomination grounds.** *A letter of support from your Minister or Religious Leader will be required explaining how the school caters for your faith.*
7. **Pupils living nearest to the school measured in a straight line distance (home to school front gate).** *Measurement of distance is in a straight line from the point that the home property's front entrance meets a public highway to the school's main designated front gate, using a computerised mapping system. Where there is equal distance then lots will be drawn supervised by an independent officer.*

If you would like advice or support with any matter regarding admission to Brockington College, please contact Jacquie Barnes our Admissions Officer, who will be pleased to help. She can be contacted through the school telephone number 0116 2863722 or by email on jsb@brockington.leics.sch.uk

ADMISSIONS MEETINGS

Formal applications must be made on the Local Authority's common form and returned to the LA by 31 October 2015 (i.e. for admission in September 2016). Parents can apply on line at www.leics.gov.uk/admissions . Admission decisions will be issued by the LA on national offer date 1 March 2016, the 'National Offer Day'.

APPEALS

Whenever possible, parents' wishes will be met. If for any reason an application is refused, parents have the right of appeal to an independent panel. Full details may be obtained from the Diocesan Director of Education, St Martins House, 7 Peacock Lane, Leicester LE1 5PZ. Telephone: 0116 261 5350 or through the following link <http://www.leicester-dbe.com/appeals/> Email contact can be made for support with the process to Kerry Miller (Clerk to the Appeals Panel) at Kerry.miller@leccofe.org