

Following the full governing body meeting on Tuesday 24th January please find below the agreed determined admissions policy for entry to the Sixth Form 2018-19 subject to ratification by NET.

Under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (section 88H) any person has the right to refer an objection to the Schools Adjudicator if they consider that admission arrangements do not comply with the law or the mandatory requirements of the DFE School Admissions Code. Objections to the arrangements must be made by 15th May 2017 to the Office of Schools Adjudicator, Bishopsgate House, Feethams, Darlington, DL1 5QE. Tel: 01325 340402 or email osa.team@osa.gsi.gov.uk

Admissions to Year 12/13 (2018-19)

It is the intention of the school to provide access to its Sixth Form provision for pupils who attend Dyke House Sports and Technology College, and those students from other institutions who wish to join the Sixth Form, as long as there is an appropriate course of study and capacity for them.

The maximum anticipated capacity of the Sixth Form will be 100 students in Year 12 (the expected year of Post 16 entry), and 100 in Y13 giving a total of 200. Of these, the majority will be transfers from Year 11 at Dyke House Sports and Technology College. The Sixth Form will have a Published Admission Number of 10 students per year. If fewer of the school's own year 11 pupils progress to the sixth form then additional external applicants will

be admitted up to the overall year 12 capacity.

Admissions Policy

The basic requirement for admission to Dyke House Sixth Form is that a course of study is available at an appropriate level.

Minimum entry requirements

- For Level 3 courses students will be expected to have achieved at least 5 A*-C grades in GCSE (or equivalent 9-4) and meet the course entry grades for the subjects applied for as specified in the courses guide.
- For Level 2 courses students will be expected to have achieved at least 2 C grades in GCSE (or equivalent) and meet the course entry grades for the subjects applied for as specified in the courses guide. Applying for places

The closing date for applications is May 31st 2018. Both internal and external applicants should apply either online through the Dyke House Sixth Form website or complete a paper application available from reception. Applications should be sent to: The Sixth Form at Dyke House, Mapleton Road, Hartlepool, TS24 8NQ. All offers made by The Sixth Form will be conditional. Firm places will be allocated based on actual grades achieved in August 2018

Term will begin on Tuesday 4th September 2018.

When the number of external applications exceeds the number of places available, after the admission of students with an Education, Health and Care plan naming the school, offers of places will be made to students who meet the academic entry requirements for the course, following the criteria listed below in order of priority:

1. **Thos estudents who are looked after children and previously l**

looked after children (previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to Child Arrangements Order or Special Guardianship Order);

2. **Students who have a sibling who will still be attending the school in September 2018.**

3. **Students of staff in either or both of the following circumstances:**

- Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made; and/or
- The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

4. **Those students who live closest to the school as determined by a straight line distance measurement.** The distance will be measured from the (Ordnance Survey) address point for the student's home to the (Ordnance Survey) address point of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised system.

- Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner, and in every case, the child should be living in the same family unit at the same address.
- In the case of siblings in the same age cohort and where there is only one place available in the school, all will be admitted even if it goes above the admission number for the school.
- If a student attends the Sixth Form at Dyke House Sports and Technology College and will still be there when a younger

brother or sister starts the school this will be classed as a sibling link. If the older child has attended Dyke House Sports and Technology College and will transfer to the Sixth Form when the younger brother or sister starts the College, this will be classed as a sibling link.

3. Tie-breaker: In the event that more students qualify under a particular criterion than there are places available, priority will be given to those students who

live closest to the school (as described under Criteria 4). In the event of a tie of distance, the place will be allocated by random selection, where a person independent to the school will make the draw

Appeals

Parents who fail to receive an offer of a place at the sixth form for their child have the right of appeal to an independent Appeals Committee, whose decisions are binding on the Academy and Academy Trust. Full information on the appeals procedure is available from the Local Authority's School Admissions Team on 01429 523768.

Further appeals: The school will not make any fresh decisions in relation to repeat applications made for places in the same academic year, unless there are significant and material changes.