

DETERMINED ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2018 OAKWOOD PARK GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Entry Criteria

- Entry to Oakwood Park Grammar School for Year 7 is via the Kent Test.
- In Year admissions are via age appropriate tests set by the school.
- Entry to the Sixth Form is conditional – places are offered to those meeting the entry requirements (see below) with priority being given to existing students transferring from Year 11 who meet the entrance criteria. In addition the school has 30 places available for external students who must also meet the entry requirements. This figure may be exceeded in the event that the number of internal students transferring to Year 12 is less than the overall figure for the year group, which is 180.

Year 12 Entry Requirements:

- Students achieving at least six GCSEs of which at least four are at a grade B (or grade 6).
- Students achieving a minimum of four B grades (or grade 6) in the subjects they wish to study.
- Students achieving a minimum of a grade 5 in English Language and Mathematics, however, typically we would expect students following essay based subjects to gain at least a grade 6 in English Language and students following scientific courses to gain at least a grade 6 in Mathematics.
- The school shall determine which B grades are required when A level subjects requested have not been taken at GCSE Level.
- Priority will be given to existing pupils transferring from Year 11 who meet the entrance criteria.

All offers are conditional on students meeting the grade criteria specified and will only become firm offers upon confirmation of actual GCSE results. Offers made will also take into account capacity in the subjects chosen. Some courses may become over-subscribed even though the overall admissions number has not been reached. Where appropriate a reserve subject would be considered.

Oversubscription Criteria

Oakwood Park Grammar School's Published Admission Number (PAN) for Year 7 is 160 and for Year 12 is 180. Where the number of applications for admissions is greater than the PAN, applications will be considered against the criteria set out below. After the admission of pupils with statements of Special Educational Needs where Oakwood Park Grammar School is named on the statement of Education (SEN), Health and Care Plan (EHCP), the criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out below;

- a. Children in Local Authority Care — a child under the age of 18 years for whom the local authority provides accommodation by agreement with their parents/carers (Section 22 of the Children Act 1989) or who is the subject of a care order under Part IV of the Act. This applies equally to children who immediately after being looked after by the local authority became subject of an adoption, residence or special guardianship order. (As defined by Section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 or Section 8 or 14A of the Children Act 1989).
- b. Current Family Association — a brother or sister attending the school when the child starts. In this context brother or sister means children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, step brothers or sisters and foster brothers or sisters.

- c. Health and Special Access Reasons — medical/health, social and special access reasons will be applied in accordance with the school's legal obligations, in particular those under the Equality Act 2010. Priority will be given to those children whose mental or physical impairment means they have a demonstrable and significant need to attend Oakwood Park Grammar School. Equally this priority will apply to children whose parents'/guardians' physical or mental health or social needs mean that they have a demonstrable and significant need to attend Oakwood Park Grammar School. Such claims will need to be supported by written evidence from a suitably qualified medical or other practitioner who can demonstrate a special connection between these needs and Oakwood Park Grammar School.
- d. Nearness of children's homes to school — we use the distance between the child's permanent home address and Oakwood Park Grammar School measured in a straight line using the National Land and Property Gazetteer (NLPG) address point data. Distances are measured from a point defined as within the child's home to a point defined as within the school as specified by NLPG. The same address point on the school site is used by everybody.

Waiting Lists

Waiting lists will be maintained until the end of the academic year. Anyone wishing to remain on the waiting lists should contact the school to request this.

Appeals

Parents have a statutory right of appeal, should an application for a place be refused, by writing to The Clerk to the Governors, care of the school