St Augustine Academy

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Type of School: Secondary, Academy, High, Mixed, Church of England

designation

Age Range: 11-18 Day Pupils

Specialism: Enterprise

Planned Admission No: 150 LA No: 886 DCSF No 4000

Number of Applications for Yr 7 entry September 2014: 418

Number of places offered 1 March 2014: 126

Expected number on roll: 650

To access general information about the school, including annual school achievement and attainment tables, recent school inspection reports and uniform policy, please contact the school or visit the school's website.

Open Sessions:

- Open Evening: Wednesday 24 September 2014
- Open Mornings: Tours at 9.15am every Monday and Wednesday from 8 September. Please telephone on 01622 752490 to book a tour.

Oversubscription Criteria

Before applying the oversubscription criteria, children with a statement of special educational need which names the school will be admitted. As a result of this the published admissions number will be reduced accordingly. If the number of preferences for the school is more than the number of places available, places will be allocated in the following priority order:-

- 1. 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 to 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).
- 2. 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 and sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sister.

- 3. Medical, health, social and special access reasons will be applied in accordance with the school's legal obligations, in particular those under the Equalities Act 2010. Priority will be given to those children whose mental or physical impairment means they have a demonstrable and significant need to attend a particular school. Equally this priority will apply to children whose parents' or guardians' physical or mental health or social needs means that they have a demonstrable and significant need to attend a particular 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 the school.
- 4. Distance we use the distance between the child's permanent home address and the school, measured in a straight line using Ordnance Survey 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 Ordnance Survey. The same address point on the school site is used for everybody. When we apply the distance criterion, these straight line measurements are used to determine how close each applicant's address is to the school. The school uses measurements provided by the LA and further information on how distances are calculated is available in the Admissions Booklets provided by the LA. A more detailed definition of what constitutes a child's permanent home and also how the measurement for flats will be calculated is also contained in the LA Admissions Booklets.

In the event of a tie breaker situation, the nearness of an applicant's home to school will be the decider.

If in the event that more than one applicant has the same distance from home to school (as measured by the local authority), then a random selection will be applied.

After a place has been offered the school reserves the right to withdraw the place in the following circumstances:

- a. When the parent or learner has failed to respond to an offer within a reasonable time; or
- b. When a parent or learner has failed to notify the school of important changes to the application information; or
- c. The admission authority offered the place on the basis of a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application from the parent or learner.

Supplementary Form Required: NO

Waiting lists will be maintained up to January 2016

Sixth Form Admissions Arrangements

Entry into the Sixth Form is conditional on attaining entry requirements for

courses:

For entry onto an A level course students must have achieved at least 5 x A*-C including English and Maths. For entry onto a specific A level course students must achieve a B(GCSE) in English and B in the related subject. In order to be considered onto a Vocational course learners must achieve 5 x A*-C including English and Maths.

To study level 2 courses (details available from the school) students will be required to have a minimum of $5 \times D-G$ as a minimum.

Over-subscription

Following the admission of internal students transferring from Year 11 students, all remaining places will be allocated to learners who have met the entry requirements for the particular course of study. Where there are more learners seeking places than the number of places available, the above oversubscription criteria will be applied in the order set out below to rank pupils until the overall figure for the year group is reached.

Offers and Appeals

Offers will be made on the basis of predicted performance at GCSE, with the requirement that the above grades are achieved in the final examinations prior to entry to the Sixth Form and the pupil's 4 chosen subjects being accommodated on the timetable, in feasible group sizes.

All offers made during Year 11 are conditional on pupils meeting the grade criteria specified and will only become firm offers upon confirmation of actual GCSE results.

Offer letters will be made before the end of May 2015. Offers will be confirmed once the school has been notified of GCSE results in August 2015.

Where learners have achieved better result than the predicted grades they will be considered based on the grades achieved and ranked accordingly for any places that become available as a result of other learners failing to meet the required entry levels.

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

Late applications will be considered if places in appropriate subjects are still available after all other applicants have been considered.

A waiting list will be held, ranked according to the over-subscription criteria.

Transport

Please note schools no longer have a designated area from which transport will be provided. In most instances KCC will only fund transport to the

nearest school where this school is more than 3 miles from the child's home. Further information about exceptions to this rule is outlined on page 29 of this book. To identify your nearest school contact the Transport Team on 01622 696565.