

Sixth Form Admissions Policy 2027

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In September 2027, Loreto Grammar School will have a capacity for 300 in the Sixth Form allowing us to admit 160 into Year 12 with 20 places available to external students. The entry requirements to the Sixth Form are a minimum of six subjects at grade 6, with girls achieving at least grade 6 in subjects chosen to study. All students require a grade 5 in English and Mathematics. Both internal and external pupils wishing to enter the Sixth Form will be expected to have met the same minimum academic entry requirements for the Sixth Form. No equivalent qualifications will be accepted.

In addition to the Sixth Form's minimum academic entry requirements pupils will need to satisfy minimum entrance requirements to the courses for which they are applying. If either internal or external applicants fail to meet the minimum course requirements, they will be given the option of pursuing any alternative courses for which they do meet the minimum academic requirements. Course requirements are published annually in the Sixth Form Prospectus on the School website.

The Governing Body expects that all students specifically selecting a Catholic education will be fully involved in the ethos and spiritual life of the school, and in achieving the aims set out in its Mission Statement.

The criteria for over-subscription will be as for Year 7 and will only apply to external candidates. If in any category there are more applications than places available, then priority will be given to those girls who achieved the highest GCSE grades. In the event of a tie-break then closest distance from home to Loreto will be applied*.

The Admissions categories are:

1. Baptised Roman Catholic 'looked after girls', Baptised Roman Catholic 'previously looked after girls' and International Baptised Roman Catholic 'looked after girls'.
2. Baptised Roman Catholic girls.
3. Other 'looked after girls' and 'previously looked after girls'.
4. Other girls.

Entry to the Sixth Form is not subject to co-ordination by the Local Authority.

Definitions - * as defined by Trafford:

Distance from home to school:

For the home address, the distance will be calculated from the seed point of the property. The seed point of each property is defined by co-ordinates held in Trafford's Local Land and Property Gazetteer (BS7666) which are available, on request, from Trafford's School Admissions Team.

For applications resident outside Trafford, the seed point data will be provided by the Home Authority. In cases where this data is not available, Royal Mail postal address information may be used. In the case of a child living in a block of flats, co-ordinates will be obtained in the same way.



Home Address and Shared Residency:

The criteria used in determining admissions to the school refer, in every instance, to the child's home address. This means the address where the child lives most of the time, not the address of any child-carer, grandparent or other relative.

It is always assumed that the correct factual information will be provided when an application for a school place is submitted. However, proof of the child's residency may be requested so that the application can be considered correctly alongside other applicants.

The documentation required is not prescribed and applicants can submit whatever evidence is available, that is sufficient to demonstrate the claim.

In the case of parents who are separated the application will also be considered from the address where the child lives, even though the child may regularly spend some time at another address.

Where it is claimed that the child's residency is shared equally between two addresses parents may decide which address will be used for the purpose of the application.

Parents/Carers must inform school of any changes to their address or circumstances. An allocated place may be subsequently withdrawn if incorrect or misleading information has been provided, which has led to the offer of a place or has advantaged the applicant in the priority order for oversubscription.