

Admission Arrangements 2020-21 - Belle Vue Girls' Academy

Where the number of preferences for a school exceeds the number of places available, priority will be given to children in the following categories:

1. Looked after children or children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order (see Note 1).
2. Previously looked after children from outside of England and Wales who were adopted (see Note 2)
3. Children who have **exceptional** social or medical needs, supported by a written recommendation from the child's paediatrician/consultant or professional from Children's Services. The letter must explain why the school is the only suitable school to meet the child's needs and why no other school could provide the appropriate support.
4. Other children whose home address is in the school's priority admission area.
5. Children whose home address is outside the school's priority admission area who have a sister, attending from the same address, who are at present in years 7 – 10 and who will still be attending the school at the time of admission (out-of-area siblings).
6. Pupils/students who attend another BDAT academy.
7. Other children whose home address is outside the school's priority admission area.

Exceptions

The criteria listed above may be overridden and a place offered, where the parents' preference is based on:

- social reasons for admission where they are deemed essential by a professional recommendation and the school governors consider that a place should be offered on these grounds.

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When demand exceeds places in any of the above criteria, the distance between the child's home and school, measured by a straight line distance from the Ordnance Survey address point of the home to the main entrance to the school building, will be used to decide who is given a place; those living nearest being given the available places. Where the offer of places to applicants with equi-distant addresses would lead to oversubscription, the decision of who will be offered the place will be made by random selection.

Notes

1. A '*looked after child*' is a child who is in the care of the local authority, or being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions. A previously '*looked after child*' who is no longer looked after in England and Wales because he/she is the subject of an adoption, special guardianship or child arrangements order which includes arrangements relating to with whom the child is to live.
2. A '*previously looked after child*' who has been in '*state care*' outside of England and Wales, accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other organisation the sole or main purpose of which is to benefit society and legally adopted.
3. The term '*sisters*' refers to children who live with the same family at the same address. Children living with the same family e.g. foster, adopted children and step sisters are also included.
4. BDAT Academies includes the following schools as of November 2018: (check website for up-to-date list – www.bdat-academies.org/our-academies)

Bradford Forster Academy
Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College
Christ Church Academy
Clayton St John CE Academy
Cullingworth Village Primary
East Morton Primary
Immanuel College
Oxenhope CE Primary
Shipley CE Primary
Academy at St James
St John's C of E Primary
St Oswald's Academy
St Philips Academy
Westminster CE Academy
Woodlands Academy
Wyliffe CE Primary
www.bellevuegirls.co.uk

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5. 'Home address' refers to the child's permanent home at the date of admission. Where the child lives with parents with shared responsibility, it is for the parents to determine which address to use when applying for a school. Proof of residency may be required at anytime during or after the allocation process.
6. Twins or triplets – where a family of twins or triplets request admission and only one of the siblings can be offered a place, the remaining siblings will also be offered places above the admission number.
7. Pupils with an education, health and care plan (EHCP). The admission of pupils with an education, health and care plan is dealt with by a separate procedure. Such children will be admitted to the named school without reference to the oversubscription criteria.