

Monkton Academy



Admissions Policy 2025-2026

Agreed by Governors

Signed by Chair of Governors

Signed by Headteacher

Review Date

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Monkton Academy, accepts the Admissions code published on 19 December 2014 by the DfE. This admissions policy is intended to cover all of the requirements set out in the code and will make Monkton Academy fully compliant with the code.

1. The admissions policy and procedures adopted are the responsibility of the Governing Body.
2. The Academy will consult with the local authority on an annual basis concerning admissions arrangements.
3. The general admission arrangement of the local authority for all schools and Academies are available at the South Tyneside council website.
www.southtyneside.info .
4. The Academy will admit pupils in line with the local authority's coordinated admissions scheme.
5. The Academy will normally admit pupils who have named Monkton Academy in the following order of priority.

The Academy operates an equal preference system; this means that all first second and third preferences are considered equally against our criteria.

1. A 'Looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement or special guardianship order. This also includes children (who appear to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care, as a result of being adopted.
2. Concurrent sibling link (an older brother or sister is attending the Academy at the same time and is residing at the same address, to include adoptive siblings, half siblings and long term fostered children.)
3. Parental home residence is within the defined catchment area of the school.
4. Shortest distance measured as a straight line, from the Ordnance Survey coordinate, from the parental home residence (including flats) to the school main entrance, using South Tyneside Council's GIS, Geographical Information System, with those living closer to the Academy receiving a higher priority.

The above distance measurement will also be used as a tie breaker within each criterion if necessary.

Definition

A looked after child is a child who is in the care of the local authority, or being provided with accommodation by the local authority in the exercise of their social services functions. See section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989.

An adoption order is an order made under Section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002.

A child arrangement order is an order made outlining arrangements as to the person with whom the child is to live under section 8 of the Children Act 1989

A special guardianship order, is an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian or guardians under Section 14A of the Children Act 1989

Additional points to consider:

The Academy must give priority to pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan, where that plan names the Academy as the preferred school.

When the application is considered, only the address of the parent/guardian/carer with whom the child normally resides will be taken into account. A parent/guardian /carer means the person who holds parental responsibility and with whom the child normally lives.

The addresses of child minders, relatives or friends who may help you look after the child may not be used on the application for a place at the Academy. The Academy reserves the right to seek proof of address and withdraw the offer of a place should the application be intentionally misleading or fraudulent. Where a place is withdrawn, an application will be considered afresh and the right to appeal offered if a place is refused.

Monkton Academy follows the Local Authority's in year applications for schools. The relevant application form is available on the Local Authority's website or available within school.

Any appeals for places must be received by the school, by the end of May. Any deadlines will ensure that sufficient time is given for those making the appeal to submit additional evidence, for admission authorities to submit their evidence and for the clerk to send papers to the panel and all parties. Ten school days' notice will be given to those making the appeal of their appeal hearing. All decision letters will be sent within five school days, wherever possible.

Mr S Bowler

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