



Mount Grace School

Admission Rules 2010

Rule 1 Children in public care.

If you are applying on behalf of a child in public care, please send a supporting professional letter from the child's social worker and/or the child's advisory teacher to your local Admissions and Transport team. If you apply online, please ensure that the letter includes the child's full name, date of birth and Unique Application Code (UAC).

Rule 2 Children for whom it can be demonstrated that they have a particular medical or social need to go to the school.

A panel of officers will determine whether the evidence provided is sufficiently compelling to meet the requirements for this rule. If you think your child has a particular medical or social need to go to a certain school, you must provide supporting evidence from a doctor, psychologist or other professional involved with your child. The supporting evidence must relate specifically to the school that you are applying to under Rule 2 and must clearly demonstrate why it is the **only** school that can meet your child's needs. If you are applying online and applying under Rule 2 to a community or voluntary controlled school, please send your supporting evidence, which should include your child's name, date of birth and Unique Application Code (UAC), to your local Admissions and Transport team (contact details on page 2). We give medical priority to children who have an exceptional illness or disability which means that they can only go to one school. We give social priority to children whose education would be seriously affected if they did not go to a particular school. We will let you know the result in the letter we will send you offering your child a school place. You can still apply under Rule 2 after 03 March 2008 or send us more information if your circumstances have changed. From mid-March 2008 the officer panel will meet regularly to determine these cases. At this point a child can only be admitted to a school under Rule 2 if a place becomes available at the school. We will let you know the result when we write to you about your continuing interest application.

Rule 3 Children who have a sibling at the school at the time of application, unless the sibling is in the last year of the normal age-range of the school.

Note: the 'normal age range' is the designated range for which the school provides, for example Years 7 to 11 for an 11-16 secondary school, Years 7 to 13 in an 11-18 school.

A sibling means the sister, brother, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, or child of the parent/carer or partner, and in every case living in the same house from Monday to Friday.

Rule 4 Children who live in the priority area and for whom it is their nearest Hertfordshire maintained non-faith co-educational school.

Where more children qualify under this rule than there are places available, places will be allocated to those who live nearest to the school. The distance from the child's home to the school is measured using a computerised mapping system.

Rule 5 Children who live in the priority area who live nearest to the school.

If your child does not qualify under Rule 4 but lives in the priority area, your child will qualify under this rule. If more children qualify under this rule than there are places available, we will give priority to those who live closest to the school.

Rule 6 Children living outside the priority area who live nearest to the school.

This applies to children who live outside the priority area for the school.

Please note: The rules and guidance are identical to those for community schools except for the omission of Rule 6.

If you have any comments on these proposed admission arrangements, please address them, in writing, to: Mr P R Baker, Headteacher, Mount Grace School, Church Road, Potters Bar, EN6 1EZ