



ADMISSIONS POLICY SEPTEMBER 2026

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

The following arrangements are to be applied for admissions to the school from September 2026.

PAN

The Published Admission Number for Tytherington School is 240.

Where more applications are received than the 240 places available, priority for admission will follow the oversubscription criteria listed below.

OVERSUBSCRIPTION CRITERIA

(i) Looked after children and children who were previously looked after*

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(ii) Siblings

Children with brothers or sisters, step-brothers or step-sisters, half-brothers or half-sisters, adopted brothers or adopted sisters, foster brothers or foster sisters living together as part of one household, already attending Tytherington School and expected to continue at the school in the following year (i.e. at the time of admission).

(iii) Children of staff at Tytherington School who have been permanently employed for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to Tytherington School is made, or

permanently employed staff recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

(iv) Children attending Feeder/Partner Primary Schools

The following schools are designated as feeder/partner primary schools for Tytherington School: Bollington Cross CE Primary School, Bollington St John's CE Primary School, Dean Valley Community Primary School, Hurdsfield Community Primary School, Kettleshulme St James' CE Primary School, Parkroyal Primary School, Puss Bank School, Rainow Primary School, Marlborough Primary School.

(v) Children resident in the school's catchment area

Children are classed as resident in the school's catchment area if they and their parents/carers are living in the area served by the school. A map of the catchment area for Tytherington School can be viewed at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools

(vi) Children living nearest to the school

Distance from school will be measured using the National Land and Property Gazetteer which measures straight line distances in miles from the school's coordinate point to the place of residence's coordinate point.

Notes

a) Section 37 of the Children and Families Act requires the Governing Body to admit all children whose Statement of Educational Needs (SEN) or Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan names the school.

b) Proof of address and residency may be required and the Governing Body retains the right to withdraw any place offered on the basis of a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application.

c) All applications from families resident in the United Kingdom, and from UK and European Economic Area (EEA) citizens resident outside the United Kingdom will be accepted. They will be processed and considered on an equal basis on their current address and in accordance with published arrangements.

Once a family living outside the UK relocates to within the UK, evidence of the new address will be required. The only exception to this is for families of Service Personnel with a confirmed posting to their area, or Crown Servants returning from overseas to live in that area. This is in accordance with the School Admissions Code, paragraph 2.19. More information on relocation and evidence requirements in relation to Crown Servants returning to the UK can be found on the Department for Education website.

d) When a child lives at more than one address, e.g. spends part of each week at different addresses, full details of the arrangements must be included in the application form (or by means of an accompanying note) to enable the Governing Body to decide which address (or exceptionally, addresses) to use for admission purposes.

e) Late applications will be considered after all applications received on time.

f) Repeat applications will not be considered within the same year, unless the parents'/carers' or the school's circumstances have changed significantly since the original application was made. (Such changes may be a house move, or a vacancy becoming available at the school).

g) Pupils whose applications for Year 7 are unsuccessful will be placed on a reserve list for the first term of the academic year. If any further places become available, they will be allocated according to the oversubscription criteria set out in these arrangements.

h) Where the school can accommodate some, but not all, pupils qualifying for one of the preceding criteria, priority will be given to pupils having regard to the subsequent criteria.

ADMISSIONS TO SIXTH FORM

Applications for admission to the Sixth Form are administered directly by the school. All students are required to formally apply for places in Year 12 and must have reached the minimum entry requirements for admission into the Sixth Form and those required for specific course choices. Both internal and external students must meet the same minimum entry requirements. Entry requirements are clearly published as part of the Sixth Form prospectus pack.

All internal students will have the opportunity to attend guidance meetings during Year 11 to assist them in making their choices. Both internal and external students must complete our enrolment process following the publication of GCSE results in order to confirm their final programmes of study. This can be found in the Sixth Form area of the school website.

SIXTH FORM MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The minimum entry requirement for admission to the Sixth Form to study primarily at A level is 5 GCSEs Grade 9 to 5 (or equivalent). Individual courses may have additional subject specific entry requirements. It is expected that students have a history of good attendance and behaviour.

PAN

The maximum number of students per year group is 160. Should the number exceed 160 students then we will only accept a maximum of 20 external students. Published Admission Number (PAN) refers to students joining the school for the first time and does not include those students transferring from Year 11 at Tytherington School.

Therefore, our PAN for the Sixth Form is 20 per year group.

OVERSUBSCRIPTION CRITERIA FOR ENTRY TO THE SIXTH FORM

In the event that the number of eligible external applicants exceeds the number of places available, the oversubscription criteria to be applied are:

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For details of admission to the Sixth Form, please request a Sixth Form prospectus pack from the school.

For full details of all admission arrangements, please refer to the Local Authority's booklets, 'How to apply for school places' and the 'Secondary Schools Supplement'.

APPEALS

Appeals will be dealt with in accordance with the School Admission Appeals Code which came into force on the 1st February 2012. Should an application for a place at Tytherington School be unsuccessful, parents/carers will be notified of their legal right of appeal against the decision of the Admissions Authority, i.e. the Governing Body.

Parents/carers will be required to complete an appeal form which must be returned to the school