



Oasis Academy Parkwood, In-year Admission Arrangements for 1 September 2023 until 31 August 2024

Introductory statement

Oasis Academy Parkwood is an academy where all young people are given the opportunity they deserve to make excellent progress and fulfil their full potential. Oasis Academy Parkwood] is a fully inclusive primary academy, accepting children of all abilities, of any faith or none.

Application process

We welcome initial enquiries from parents and carers who would like information regarding admission to the academy in-year, and our waiting lists.

Arrangements for applications for places are administered by Oasis Parkwood who you can contact by telephone number 01724 861072 and email address oasisacademyparkwood.org or call into the reception office between times of office opening hours 8.30-4.00.

Arrangements for applications for places are administered by North Lincolnshire council, who you can contact by calling 01724 297000, by email www.northlincs.gov.uk –or by post – Church Square House, 30-40 High Street Scunthorpe DN15 6NL.

You can apply for an in-year place at our academy by completing our In-Year Application Form which can be found on our academy website – [Admissions Information for New Starters Oasis Academy Parkwood](#)

You can apply for an in-year place at our academy through the North Lincolnshire council by completing an online application form – <https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/schools-libraries-and-learning/schools-colleges-and-further-education/our-schools-and-colleges/primary-schools/>

Waiting lists

As the academic year has now begun, it may be that you will need to join Oasis Academy Parkwood waiting list. The waiting list is held and maintained by Oasis Academy Parkwood and North Lincolnshire Council.

If applicable - For more information on the waiting list, please visit North Lincolnshire Council website <https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/schools-libraries-and-learning/schools-colleges-and-further-education/our-schools-and-colleges/primary-schools/>

Oversubscription criteria and Tie Break

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of students with an Education, Health and Care plan, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. Looked after children and all previously looked after children and immediately after being looked after became subject to adoption, a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order. This includes those children who appear to Oasis Community Learning to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. Previously looked after children are children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order).

2. Children who live in the academy's designated catchment area. Parents can see which catchment areas cover their address by following the link from the "Apply for a school place" page at www.northlincs.gov.uk.

A map of the catchment area for Oasis Academy Parkwood is included in this document.

The address taken under this factor will be that on Friday 10 February 2023.

Parents who move after submitting their preference must inform the council's Admissions Team of any change of address.

For admission purposes, the home address is where a child usually lives with their parent or carer. You must not give the address of a childminder or relative. Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of the week the Admission Officer will apply the address of the parent who claims the child's benefit as the pupil's address for determining this criteria. . If neither parent claims child benefit other documentary evidence (eg medical card) may be required. If it is found that you have given a false address your child may lose their place.

For families of service personnel with a confirmed posting, or crown servants returning from overseas, whose application is accompanied by an official letter declaring a relocation date the home address will be either the address at which the child will live, or the unit or quartering address if the parent requests this. Parents will need to provide evidence of the intended address.

3. Children who will have a sibling attending the academy at the time of their admission.

Included in this factor are siblings who will be attending the academy at the expected time of admission. Sibling means a child living as part of the same family unit at the same address. This includes natural siblings, adopted siblings, step siblings, foster siblings, and the child of a parent's partner. In the event of two applications for one vacancy using the above criteria, the academy will apply a tie breaker decision based on geographical distance.

Siblings for the same year group (twins, triplets etc)

Where there are twins or triplets to be admitted to the academy in the same year group. If there are insufficient places available for all siblings, and one can be allocated a place, the admission number will be exceeded to allow them to be placed in the academy.

4. Children who live closest to the academy.

The distance will be determined by measuring the shortest available route using the public road and path network from the pupil's home to the main academy gate, as determined by the academy. The distance will be measured by using a computerised geographical information system (GIS). Priority will be given to those living nearest to the academy using this system. Pupils living in flats where the distance measures the same, priority will be given in ascending order of flat number/letter/floor.

Other children

Tie Breaks - Where there are more applications than there are places remaining within a particular category, the direct line distance from home to school will be used as a tie-break.

Where the offer of a place would lead to oversubscription under any of the above factors places will be allocated by reference to subsequent factors in order. In exceptional circumstances where it has not been possible to decide between applications, because they have the same distance measurements, the place will be allocated by drawing lots independently verified.

Admission of children outside their normal age group

Parents may request that their child is admitted outside their normal age group. To do so parents should include a request with their application, specifying why admission out of normal year group is being requested, and the year group in which they wish their child to be allocated a place.

Such request would have to be authorised by Principal. When a request is made, the academy trust will make a decision on the basis of the circumstances of the case and in the best interests of the child concerned, taking into account the views of the principal and any supporting evidence provided by the parent.

In the first instance, please contact info@oasisparkwood.org

Notification of outcome

North Lincolnshire Council and Oasis Academy Parkwood will notify parents of the outcome of their application in writing within 15 school days. Where an application is refused, North Lincolnshire Council and Oasis Academy Parkwood will set out the reason for refusal and information about the right to appeal.

Appeals

All applicants refused a place have a right of appeal to an independent appeal panel constituted and operated in accordance with the School Admission Appeals Code.

Appellants should contact www.northlincs.gov.uk. for information on how to appeal.

Notes/Definitions

<https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/schools-libraries-and-learning/schools-colleges-and-further-education/apply-for-a-school-place/school-admission-appeals/>

Looked after children

Looked after children are those who are in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority under section 22 of the Children Act 1989. 1989 Children's Act

In relation to school admissions legislation a 'looked after child' is a child in public care at the time of application to a school. Applicants can provide evidence demonstrating their child was previously in care to an institution acting as a Local Authority, or an organisation that supports the best interests of the community/child. In the case of previously looked after children, admission authorities may request a copy of the adoption order, child arrangements order or special guardianship order and a letter from the local authority that last looked after the child, confirming that they were looked after immediately prior to that order being made, or such evidence that demonstrates a child was in state care outside of England prior to being adopted.

Home address:

The home address is where the child spends the majority of their time and is living with the person who has parental responsibility as the main 'carer', as defined in section 576 of the Education Act 1996.

The LA will not accept more than one address as the child's home address. Where a child regularly lives at more than one address the Local Authority will have to reach a conclusion about which should be counted as the main address when allocating places, taking relevant evidence into account. Normally this will be the address where the child is registered with a medical GP. Where parents or carers are living separately and do not agree on the child's home address they are urged to reach an agreement. If this does not happen the Local Authority will determine the address used for allocating a school place.

Sibling:

'Sibling' means a natural brother or sister, a half brother or sister, a legally adopted brother or sister or half-brother or sister, a step brother or sister or other child living in the same household as part of the same family who, in any of these cases, will be living at the same address at the date of their application for a place.

Medical and Social Need:

'Social need' does not include a parent's wish that a child attends the school because of a child's aptitude or ability or because their friends attend the school. 'Medical need' does not include mild medical conditions.

Free School Meals Priority:

Those eligible for free school meals admission priority are children who:

- Are currently registered as eligible for free schools meals

Children for whom their parents cannot provide evidence that their child is currently registered for free school meals but where the child or its parents receive any of the following:

- Universal Credit
- Income Support
- income-based Jobseekers Allowance;
- an income-related employment and support allowance;
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual income that, from 6 April 2011, does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs);
- where a parent is entitled to the Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment someone receives for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

Parents will be required to provide evidence of eligibility with their application.

Pupil Premium Priority:

Those eligible for Pupil Premium admission priority are children who:

- Are currently registered as eligible for free schools meals;
- Have been registered as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last six years

Children for whom their parents cannot provide evidence that their child is currently registered for free school meals, [or has been in the past 6 years] but where the child or its parents receive any of the following:

- Universal Credit
- Income Support;
- income-based Jobseekers Allowance;
- an income-related employment and support allowance;
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual income that, from 6 April 2011, does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs);
- where a parent is entitled to the Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment someone receives for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit);
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