



In-year Admission Arrangements for 1 September 2023 until 31 August 2024

Introductory statement

Oasis Academy John Williams is an academy where all young people are given the opportunity they deserve to make excellent progress and fulfil their full potential. Oasis Academy John Williams is a fully inclusive secondary 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 Academy John Williams who you can contact by emailing info@oasisjohnwilliams.org

You can apply for an in-year place at our academy by completing our In-Year Application Form which can be found here In-Year Application Form

Waiting lists

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

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:

- 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 Arrangement Order or Special Guardianship Order).
- 2. Siblings of students who will be members of Years 7 to 11 at the Academy on the date when the applicant would be admitted. The term "sibling" means a full, step, half, adopted or fostered brother or sister, or other child living permanently within the same household. The academy reserves the right to ask for proof of relationship.
- 3. Children who live the nearest by direct line distance from the Academy within the area of first priority.
- 4. Children who live the nearest by direct line distance from the Academy outside the area of first priority.



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.

When the furthest distance to qualify for a place relates to a household containing two or more children for whom applications are made applications are made (e.g. Twins, triplets etc.), the remaining child will also be offered a place above the PAN if necessary. This would also apply to a brother or sister born in the same academic year. Where two or more children live in a flat or other multi-home dwelling and it is not possible to determine which applicant lives closest to the preferred school as measured in a direct line from building to school; the available place(s) will be allocated by drawing lots.

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.

When such 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@oasisjohnwilliams.org

Notification of outcome

The Oasis Academy John Williams will notify parents of the outcome of their application in writing within 15 school days. Where an application is refused, the Oasis Academy John Williams 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.

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Notes/Definitions

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 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: This is the child's permanent address where he or she lives with a person with parental responsibility or with a parent (as defined in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996). It is the address where the child spends the majority of their time. We reserve the right to ask for proof of residence. 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.