

ADMISSIONS POLICY FOR CARDINAL NEWMAN SCHOOL 2020

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Policy Approval Admissions for Cardinal Newman School POLICY

St. Alban Catholic Academy Trust

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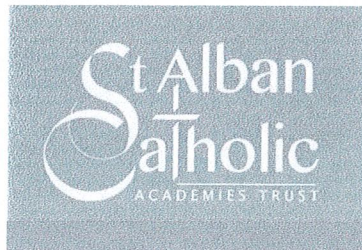
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Admissions Criteria for Cardinal Newman Catholic Secondary School with effect from September 2020

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CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL
A Specialist Science College

Admissions Information and Criteria for Admission in 2020

Basic information

1. Cardinal Newman School is a member of the St Alban Catholic Academies Trust and is promoted by the Diocese of Northampton through the Duns Scotus Trust.
2. The St Alban Catholic Academies Trust (SACAT) is responsible for determining and administering the policy relating to the admission of pupils to the school. It is guided in that responsibility by the requirements of the law, the advice of the Diocesan Trustee, and its duty to the school and the Catholic community.
3. In accord with the provisions of Regulation 49 of the Education (School Government) Regulations 1999, the Trust has delegated responsibility for determining admissions to its Admissions Committee with regard to the school.
4. The ethos of Cardinal Newman Catholic School is based on Christian Gospel values and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. We ask parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the rights of parents who are not of the Roman Catholic faith to apply for and be considered for a place here.
5. The Academy Trust primarily serves all the parishes of Luton, Houghton Regis and Dunstable.
6. Having consulted the other local admission authorities in accordance with legal requirements, the Trust has set as its planned admissions number 270 for the school year commencing September 2020.
7. Parents wishing to apply for a place in the school for their child beginning September 2020 must complete the Local Authority (LA) application form and the supplementary admission form (Appendix 2) for Catholic Schools in Luton and return same to the LA by no later than 31st October 2019. It must be carefully noted that all applications must be submitted on that form or made online and all applications will be considered at the same time. Allocation letters will be issued on or just after 2nd March 2020.
8. The Admissions Committee of the Academy Trust will consider all applications made in accordance with the criteria set out below without reference to the ability or aptitude of the child. All applications will be considered on an equal preference basis.

Admission Criteria

In case of oversubscription the Academy Trust will give priority to children in the following order:

1. Looked after children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements or special guardianship order¹. A

¹ An adoption order is an order under the Adoption Act 1976 (see section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children's Act 2002 (see section 46 adoption orders). A 'child arrangements order' is an order settling the arrangements to be made as to the

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

2. Children who appear to the St Alban Catholic Academies Trust (SACAT) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted¹.
3. Baptised Catholic children with siblings* at Cardinal Newman School at the time of proposed admission. The original Baptismal Certificate must be provided and supplementary admission form completed (Appendix 2).
4. Practising Baptised Catholic children whose application is supported by their parish priest or the priest where they practice. The original Baptismal Certificate must be provided and supplementary admission form completed (Appendix 2).
5. Baptised Catholic children attending St Mary's Primary School, St Vincent's Primary School, St Martin de Porres Primary School, St Joseph's Primary School, St Margaret of Scotland Primary School or Sacred Heart Primary School. The original Baptismal Certificate must be provided and supplementary admission form completed (Appendix 2).
6. Other baptised Catholic children. The original Baptismal Certificate must be provided and supplementary admission form completed (Appendix 2).
7. Siblings* other than Catholic currently at Cardinal Newman School at the time of proposed admission.
8. Children of staff.
9. Children from other Christian denominations whose parents wish them to receive a Christian education, and whose application is supported by their priest or minister of religion.
10. Children from other faith backgrounds whose application is supported by their minister of religion.
11. Other children.

Additional information

1. All parents/carers whose application was successful or unsuccessful will be informed in writing of the outcome of their application on or just after 1 March 2020.

person with whom the child is to live under Section 8 of the Children Act 1989 as amended by s.14 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians).

¹ A child is regarded as having been in state care in a place outside of England if they were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society.