

Jarrow School

Admissions Criteria

September 2024

Decisions concerning the admissions of pupils to Jarrow School and the attendant administrative procedures are the responsibility of the Governing Body.

Late Applications

If you return your application after the closing date your application will be classed as late unless exceptional circumstances exist. The governors will consider your reasons and if they are exceptional consider your application along with those received on time. Examples of what may be considered as exceptional circumstances are a family who have just moved into the area (proof of ownership or tenancy agreement will be required). If your reasons are not exceptional then your application will not be processed until after 1 March 2024. You should be aware that this will reduce your chance at gaining a place at Jarrow School.

Offer Date

On **1 March 2024** you will be notified by the Local Authority as to whether or not your child has been offered a place at the school.

Parental Home Address

When considering your application the governors will use the parental home residence of the Parent/Carer who receives the child benefit for the child/ren.

Your home address is an important factor as school places are allocated on the basis of the home address of each child. This must be the child's permanent home address, where he/she lives with a person of parental responsibility as the main carer (as defined by the

address, you must provide a Residence Order, issued by a court, if you wish that address to be considered. The governors reserve the right to request independent confirmation of the child's place of residence, as felt appropriate.

Equal Preference System

The governors operate an equal preference system for processing applications. This meanspo3(ea)ET18.8

ans (Section 14A of the Children Act 1989).

Note 2: 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.

The governors give a 'Looked After Child' and a child who appears to have been in state care outside England priority in our oversubscription criteria. This means that when a place becomes available in the school year it can be offered to these children to ensure that they are quickly placed in an appropriate school. This is necessary as it is recognised that such children are a disadvantaged group who, because of frequent changes of school following their care placements, may have lower than average levels of attainment. It is also a statutory requirement that Admission Authorities give priority to a 'Looked After Child' and a child who appears to have been in state care outside England in their oversubscription criteria.

Sibling Link

If your child has a brother or sister residing at the same address (including adoptive siblings, half siblings, step siblings, and long term fostered children) attending your preferred school in September 2024, the governors will consider this as a sibling link. However, no guarantee is given that siblings can transfer to the same school where the school is oversubscribed.

Distance from Parental Home Address

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(GIS) with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority. Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of the week the distance will be measured from the parental home residence of the Parent/Carer who receives the child benefit for the child/ren (documentary evidence will be required).

- Distance Measurement

Where there are not enough places to admit all the children falling within a particular criterion

Geographic Information System (GIS). The distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre of t

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