



Denham Green Academy
Admissions Policy
September 2021

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Denham Green Academy is an academy that accepts pupils from Reception to Year 6. The number of pupils admitted per year into Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is 30 and in Key Stage Two it is 30+15.

Places will be allocated by E-ACT on the basis of applications received through the Buckinghamshire Co-ordinated Scheme for Primary Admission. This allows parents / carers to apply for entry to any Buckinghamshire primary school by means of the Buckinghamshire Primary School Admission Application Forms available in the Guide for Parents on Admissions and on-line via the LEA's (Buckinghamshire County Council Admissions) web site. Parents may express up to three preferences in ranked order. The closing date for return of applications is set by the LEA (Buckinghamshire County Council Admissions) under the co-ordinated scheme, and must be returned to the LEA (Buckinghamshire County Council Admissions) for initial consideration as detailed in the LEA scheme. Once places have been allocated to children with Statements of Special Education Need naming the school, then the remaining places are allocated according to the following criteria, applied in the following order: -

Admission rules for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools

Once places have been allocated to children with a Statement of Special Educational Needs (Educational Health Care Plan), the remaining places will be allocated in the following order:

Rule 1 - Looked after and previously looked after children.

Rule 2 - Children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted

Rule 3 - Children who have exceptional medical or social needs, which can only be met at that school, supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional person.

Rule 4 - Children of staff where either:

The member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made,

and/or

The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

Rule 5 - Children living within the catchment area of the school.

Rule 6 - For the main point of entry: Siblings of children who are attending the school or a 'linked primary' school in Year R to Year 5 at the time the allocations are made (March 2021), and are expected to be on the school roll or linked school roll at the time of the proposed admission, or who have already been offered a place to start in the current academic year at the school or a 'linked primary' school.

For immediate in year admission after the normal point of entry: Siblings of children who are in Year R to Year 6 at the time of admission to the school.

Rule 7 - Children attending a primary school linked to the school named in the list of 'linked primary' schools at the time allocations are made (March 2019). This rule does not apply to those applying for a place in Reception.

Tiebreaker

Rule 8 - Once the above rules have been applied, then any further places will be offered in distance order, using the distance between the family's Normal Home Address and the school's nearest entrance gate, offering the closest first. We use straight line distance.

Rule 9 - Where a school can take some, but not all, of the children who qualify under one of these rules, we will give priority to children by taking account of the next rule (or rules) in the numbered list to decide who has priority for places.

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Rule 10 - If it is still not possible to decide between two applicants who are equal distance then an independently scrutinised random allocation will be made to allocate the final place.

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In the case of there being one place available and the next child/children meeting the criteria is a twin/triplets/multiple birth group then the other siblings will be admitted.

There are established arrangements for appeals against non-admission and those are dealt with by an Appeals Committee.

Admissions to at times other than Reception

There are occasions when parents ask for admission to other year groups. In these instances, E-ACT have agreed that the child may be admitted provided that the addition of another child to the year group does not exceed the standard number for each year group. Selection is governed by the criteria above, and where necessary, in line with the Buckinghamshire County Council's fair Access Protocol. Once a year group is full, children will be placed on a waiting list in priority order as stipulated above. Priorities are likely to change, subject to the criteria above, as new applications are made or individual circumstances change.

Parents should confirm their interest in remaining on the waiting list at the beginning of each term.

For further information, please contact the Headteacher.

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