Oasis Academy Brightstowe

Admission Arrangements for

September 2027/2028

Introductory statement

Oasis Academy Brightstowe is a fully inclusive secondary academy, accepting children of all abilities, of any faith or none.

Admission number

The school has an admission number of 162 for entry in Year 7.

The school will accordingly admit this number of students if there are sufficient applications. Where fewer applicants than the published admission number(s) for the relevant year group are received, the Academy Trust will offer places at the school to all those who have applied.

Application process

Arrangements for applications for places to **Year 7 in September 2027** at the Academy will be made in accordance with Bristol City Council's coordinated admission arrangements and will be made on the Common Application Form provided and administered by Bristol City Council.

Please access the application form by visiting Bristol City Council's website https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/secondary-apply.

Oversubscription criteria and tie break

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of students with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a Statement of Special Educational Needs naming the school, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. Looked after children and children who were previously looked after but 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 whose sibling(s) currently attend the school and who will continue to do so on the date of admission.

3. Distance: priority will be given to children living closest to the school as measured in a direct line from the home address to the school.

Tie Break Process

If the number of applications for places exceeds the number of places available after application of the oversubscription criteria, distance will be used to decide between applications. The tiebreaker of random allocation will be used when there are two or more applicants with the same distance than there are places remaining. The random allocation process will be independently verified.

Late applications

All applications received by Bristol City Council after the deadline will be considered to be late applications. Late applications will be considered after those received on time. If, following consideration of all applicants the school is oversubscribed, parents may request that their child is placed on the school's waiting list.

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 hello@oasisbrightstowe.org

Waiting lists

The waiting list for entry into Year 7 in 2027 to Oasis Academy Brightstowe is held and maintained by Bristol City Council.

In Year waiting lists for in year admissions are held by the Academy (please see in year admission section below)

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 Bristol City Council.

Applicants living outside the Local Authority

Parents living outside the Local Authority, where the academy is located, should use the Common Application Form provided by their home Local Authority.

Notes/Definitions

Child in Care

Children in Care (CiC) 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 Child in Care 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.

Bristol/home Local Authority 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

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 Bristol 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 stepbrother 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.

In Year Admissions

In Year Admissions are processed by Oasis Academy Brightstowe.

For in year admissions please visit our website and fill in the application form using the following link: In_Year_Application_Form_25-26_(JBR)_updated.pdf

The school operates a waiting list for each Year group and vacancies may occur for any year group at any time.

The school will hold applicants' details for the duration of the academic year on its waiting list. Should a place become available for which your child is eligible, the school will contact you.