



Admissions Statement

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The River Learning Trust is the Admissions Authority for Trust schools, and the Trust and its schools are required by their Funding Agreements to comply with the Schools Admissions Code. This responsibility for admissions has been delegated to each school's Local Governing Body and its Admissions Committee. The primary responsibilities of an Admissions Committee are to review and recommend for approval to the Local Governing Body and Trust Board the school admissions policy, and ensure that pupils are admitted to the school in line with the admissions policy.

RLT schools participate in the in-year admissions arrangements for Oxfordshire County Council and the position of the Trust is for the Local Governing Bodies to use the Local Authority admissions team to administer the admissions process (with the exception of Nursery and Sixth Form applications).

As outlined in Section 2.7 of the 2015 Code of Practice on Admissions:

2.7 Admission authorities must allocate places on the basis of their determined admission arrangements only, and a decision to offer or refuse admission must not be made by one individual in an admission authority. Where the school is its own admission authority the whole governing body, or an admissions committee established by the governing body, must make such decisions

Applications to attend any River Learning Trust school are welcomed from all families.

Details on how to apply for places in **Reception** and **Year 7** can be found via the Local Authority website:

<http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/starting-school>

For those River Learning Trust schools with **Nursery** or **Sixth Form** provision, individual admissions arrangements are published on school websites, or are available directly from the school. Visit <http://www.riverlearningtrust.org> and click on individual schools for more details.

If you would like to move school at any other time you can find more details via this link:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/transferring-or-moving-different-school>

Admissions arrangements for each River Learning Trust School can be found via the Local Authority website and via each school's website. Individual admissions policies and designated catchment areas for each school within the River Learning Trust can be found by clicking on the relevant school via this link:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/schools/list/all>

All applicants refused a place have a right of appeal to an independent appeal panel constituted and operated in accordance with the School Admissions Appeals Code. Details of the procedure are available from the Oxfordshire County Council website: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/schoolappeals. The decision of the Appeal Panel is binding on all parties.