

Proposed Admissions Arrangements 2024 - 2025

Oasis Academy Lister Park, Admission Arrangements for Year 7

Introductory statement

Oasis Academy Lister Park is an academy where all young people are given the opportunity they deserve to make excellent progress and fulfil their full potential. Oasis Academy Lister Park is a fully inclusive secondary academy, accepting children of all abilities, of any faith or none.

Admission number(s)

The school has an admission number of 160 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

For details of the Local Authority process including how to apply for a school place please visit https://www.bradford.gov.uk/education-and-skills/schooladmissions/apply-for-a-placeatone-of-bradford-districts-schools/

Arrangements for applications for places to Year 7 at the Academy will be made in accordance with Bradford's co-ordinated admission arrangements and administered by City of Bradford Council.

Online and paper applicants receive an email/letter confirming allocated school on National Offer Day in March (next working day to 1st March).

Oversubscription criteria, Tie Break and Multiple Births

The admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan is dealt with by a separate procedure. Such children will be admitted to the named school named without reference to the oversubscription criteria below.

Where the number of preferences for a school exceeds the number of places available, priority will be given to children in the following categories:

- 1. Looked after children and all previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. (Note 1).
- 2. Children who have exceptional social or medical needs, supported by a written recommendation from the child's paediatrician/consultant or professional from



Children's Services. The letter must explain why the school is the only suitable school to meet the child's needs and why no other school could provide the appropriate support.

- Children whose home address in the school's priority admission area who have a brother or sister, attending from the same address, who are at present in years 7 10 and who will still be attending the school at the time of admission. (see Note 3).
- 4. Other children whose home address is in the school's priority admission area (see Note 3).
- 5. Children whose home address is outside the school's priority admission area who have a brother or sister, attending from the same address, who are at present in years 7 10 and who will still be attending the school at the time of admission.
- 6. Other children whose home address is outside the school's priority admission area (see Note 3)

NOTES

- 1. 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) immediately following having been looked after and those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. (in accordance with 1.8 School Admissions Code of Practice).
- 2. The term 'sisters' and 'brothers' refers to children who live with the same family at the same address. Children living with the same family e.g. foster, adopted children and stepsisters and brothers are also included, cousins are not siblings.
- 3. 'Home address' refers to the child's permanent home at the date of admission. Where the child lives with split parents who have shared responsibility, it is for the parents to determine which address to use when applying for a secondary school. Proof of residency may be required at any time during or after the allocation process.

Tie Break

When demand exceeds places in any of the following criteria, the distance between the child's home and school, measured by a straight line distance from the Ordnance Survey address point of the home to the main entrance to the school building, will be used to decide who is given a place; those living nearest being given the available places. Where the offer of places to applicants with equi-distant addresses would lead to oversubscription, the decision of who will be offered the place will be made by random selection. This will be by the drawing of lots by a Local Authority officer.



Multiple Births

Where a family of multiple births (twins, triplets etc.) request admission and only one of the siblings can be offered a place, the remaining siblings will also be offered places above the admission number.

Late applications

All applications received by Bradford authority 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 Katie Stephenson (katie.stephenson@oasislisterpark.org)

Waiting lists

Where in any year Oasis Academy Lister Park receives more applications for places than there are places available, a waiting list will operate until the end of the term for which the application was made. This will be maintained by Bradford Local Authority and it will be open to any parent to ask for his or her child's name to be placed on the waiting list, following an unsuccessful application.

Children's position on the waiting list will be determined solely in accordance with the oversubscription criteria. Where places become vacant, they will be allocated to children on the waiting list in accordance with the oversubscription criteria. The waiting list will be reordered in accordance with the oversubscription criteria whenever anyone is added to or leaves the waiting list.

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 Admissions Team on **01274 439200** for information on how to appeal. Information on the timetable for the appeals process is on https://www.bradford.gov.uk/education-and-skills/school-admissions/make-anappeal/

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.

<u>Sibling:</u> 'Sibling' means a natural brother or sister, a half brother or sister, a legally adopted brother or sister or half-brother or sister, a step brother 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.

Medical and Social Need:

'Social need' does not include a parent's wish that a child attends the school because of a child's aptitude or ability or because their friends attend the school. 'Medical need' does not include mild medical conditions.