Admission Arrangements 2027-2028

Admissions criteria at 11+

Lord Grey Academy admits students of all abilities at age 11. The number of agreed admissions into Year 7 (the relevant age group) is 250.

Children with an EHCP naming Lord Grey Academy will be given preference for admission within the normal admission round at "11 Plus".

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied in the order set out below:

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. A child 'looked-after by a local authority' is one who is looked after within the meaning of section 22 of Children Act 1989 or Part 6 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014; a previously looked-after child is one who is no longer looked after in England and Wales because s/he is the subject of an adoption, special guardianship or child arrangements order which includes arrangements relating to with whom the child is to live, or when the child is to live with any person, or has been adopted from 'state care' outside England and Wales; and a child is in 'state care' outside England and Wales if s/he is in the care of or accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other organisation the sole or main purpose of which is to benefit society. (DfE 2018).

2) Children with a sibling attending Lord Grey Academy in Years 8-11 at the time of admission*, living in the defined area

3) Children with no siblings attending Lord Grey Academy in Years 8-11 at the time of admission*, living in the defined area

4) (a) Children of staff who have been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to school is made.
(b) Children of staff who are recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

5) Children with a sibling attending Lord Grey Academy in Years 8-11 at the time of admission*, living out of the defined area

6) Children who currently attend a primary school located in the defined area

7) All other applicants

**siblings cannot be in Y11 at the time of applying as upon applying, it will not be possible to know if a Y11 student will be continuing their studies at Lord Grey Sixth Form*

Please note:

- Siblings are defined as a brother or sister of whole or half blood or any other child (including an adopted child) who permanently resides at the same address and for whom the parent also has parental responsibility.
- In cases where there is one remaining place available and the next child on the waiting list is one of a twin, triplet or other multiple birth group, the following will apply:

- Both twins would be admitted (or all the siblings in the case of multiple births) even if this goes above the admission number for the Academy.

- The defined area for Lord Grey Academy is Granby, Old Bletchley, Far Bletchley, West Bletchley. The following roads on Furzton which are also shared with Shenley Brook End Academy: Arlington Court, Barleycroft, Braybrooke Drive, Cheriton, Elmhurst Close, Favell Drive, Grasscroft, Hawkridge, Holmewood, Medeswell, Oakridge, Parkside, Rycroft, The Hedgerows, Winsford Hill and Blackmoor Gate (odd numbers up to 55 and even numbers up to 48).

  The primary schools located in the defined area are:

  Abbeys Primary School
  Barleyhurst Park Primary School
  Chestnuts Primary School
  Cold Harbour C of E School
  Holne Chase Primary School
  Rickley Park Primary School
  St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Primary School

- Places will be allocated in order of category (1-7). If demand within a category results in the Academy exceeding its student admissions number, all applicants in the category will be ranked according to distance from school as measured from the school's front gate to the front door of the child's home address** in a straight line using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system. Priority will be given to those living nearer to the Academy. For prospective students living in flats, the distance will be measured from the school's front gate to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the prospective child's home address**, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

  ***a child's home address is the address which the parents list on the application form. If in doubt, please refer to the Secondary Admissions Parent Guide provided by Milton Keynes Council*
  https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schools-and-lifelong-learning/school-admissions

Any application for a place at Lord Grey Academy received after the published date for return will only be considered after all prior applications have been looked at in line with the above criteria. Applications received after 1st September 2027 will be processed as 'In Year' admissions. Lord Grey Academy will hold a waiting list until 31st December for the 2027 Year 7 admissions.

Admissions criteria at 16+

Lord Grey Academy's Published Admission Number for Year 12 (the relevant age group) is 150.

Lord Grey Sixth Form is open to all existing members of Lord Grey Academy who meet the minimum entry requirements as specified in the Lord Grey Sixth Form Prospectus.

Applications from external learners are encouraged, given that places on courses are available after allocation of learners from Lord Grey and they meet the minimum entry requirements as specified in the Lord Grey Sixth Form prospectus.

The numbers admitted into the Sixth Form are determined by places available on the various courses and the required combinations of individual learners.

Oversubscription criteria:

If there are more external applicants meeting the entry requirements than places available for specific courses then the following criteria will be used to determine to whom offers will be made.

1. Young People with an EHCP naming Lord Grey Academy.

2. 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. A child 'looked-after by a local authority' is one who is looked after within the meaning of section 22 of Children Act 1989; a previously looked-after child is one who is no longer looked after because s/he is the subject of an adoption, special guardianship or child arrangements order which includes arrangements relating to with whom the child is to live, or when the child is to live with any person, or has been adopted from 'state care'; and a child is in 'state care' outside England if s/he is in the care of or accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other organisation the sole or main purpose of which is to benefit society.

3. Those who are highest placed according to their position in a ranking based on the aggregated point scores of their top 8 GCSE subjects including English and Mathematics.

4. Those living in the defined area of Lord Grey Academy.

5. All other applications.

Notes:
If demand within a category results in the Academy exceeding its Published Admissions Number, all applicants in the category will be ranked according to distance from school as measured from the school's front gate to the front door of the student's home address** in a straight line using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system. Priority will be given to those living nearer to the Academy. For prospective students living in flats, the distance will be measured from the school's front gate to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the prospective student's home address**, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

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Appeals
Learners and/or the parents/carers of learners, internal or external, who are not offered a place, have a right of appeal through our Independent Appeals Panel. Information about our independent appeal procedure can be obtained by contacting the Academy directly. Appeal packs will be emailed to parents/carers upon request. All appeals are arranged by an independent provider.