



Oasis Academy Brislington, In-year Admission Arrangements for 1 September 2024 until 31 August 2025

Introductory statement

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

Application process

We welcome initial enquiries from parents and carers who would like information regarding admission to the academy in-year, and our waiting lists.

Arrangements for applications for places are administered by Oasis Academy Brislington who you can contact by telephone on 0117 377 2055 or via email: info@oasisbrislington.org Alternatively you can call into the reception office between 8am & 5pm, Monday to Thursday or 8am & 4pm on a Friday.

You can apply for an in-year place at our academy by completing our In-Year Application Form which can be found on our academy website;

<https://forms.office.com/e/UxNzDHuAUS>

Waiting lists

As the academic year has now begun, it may be that you will need to join Oasis Academy Brislington's waiting list. The waiting list is held and maintained by Oasis Academy Brislington.

Oversubscription criteria and Tie Break

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of students with an Education, Health and Care plan, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. Looked after children and all previously looked after children and 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

Any application made within the "looked after" category must be supported by a letter from the relevant LA (Children's Services) Department. If applying under the "previously looked after children" criterion a copy of the adoption or special guardianship order must also be supplied.

2. **Children whose sibling(s) currently attend the school and who will continue to do so on the date of admission.**

The term "sibling" means a full, half, adopted or fostered brother or sister. Sibling criteria may apply where, at the time of application, a sibling is expected to be on roll when the child starts at the Academy. If the sibling unexpectedly leaves the Academy after the offer has been made,

the place must not be withdrawn on these grounds. The Academy will request proof of relationship.

3. Children for whom a particular school is appropriate on genuine medical grounds.

Such applications will be decided by the Academy Governing Body or nominated panel. (Applications on medical grounds will only be considered under this criterion if they are supported by an attached written statement from a doctor. This must demonstrate that there is a very specific connection between the child's medical need and the Academy requested).

4. 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

Distance will be measured in a straight line from a point of the pupil's main home to the designated main entrance, nominated by the school using the LA's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority.

If false or misleading information is used to gain entry to the Academy, the offer of a place will be withdrawn. Parents will be asked to provide documentary evidence to confirm an address and parental responsibility. The LA should be notified of changes of address immediately.

Tie Breaks - Where there are more applications than there are places remaining within a particular category, the direct line distance from home to school will be used as a tie-break. When the furthest distance to qualify for a place relates to a household containing two or more children for whom applications are made applications are made (e.g. Twins, triplets etc.), the remaining child will also be offered a place above the PAN if necessary. This would also apply to a brother or sister born in the same academic year. Where two or more children live in a flat or other multi-home dwelling and it is not possible to determine which applicant lives closest to the preferred school as measured in a direct line from building to school; the available place(s) will be allocated by drawing lots.

Any offer of a place determined by random allocation will be overseen by someone independent of the school.

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 the school office on 0117 377 2055 or email: info@oasisbrislington.org

Notification of outcome

Oasis Academy Brislington will notify parents of the outcome of their application in writing within 15 school days. Where an application is refused, Oasis Academy Brislington will set out the reason for refusal and information about the right to appeal.

Appeals

All applicants refused a place have a right of appeal , if you wish to do so, please contact:

Mrs Natasha Robinson
Appeals
Oasis Academy Brislington
Hungerford Road
Bristol
BS4 5EY

If you wish to make an appeal you must do so in writing, setting out your grounds for appeal.

You may wish to contact the following sources for advice on how to prepare your appeal. The Coram Children's Legal Centre aims to provide free legal advice and information to parents on state education matters. Phone 0808 802 0008. The advice line is open from 8.00am to 8.00pm, Monday to Friday, except Bank Holidays and 24 December to 1 January. <http://www.childrenslegalcentre.com>

Notes/Definitions

Looked after children

Looked after children 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 'looked after child' 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:

This is the child's permanent address where he or she lives with a person with parental responsibility or with a parent (as defined in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996). It is the address where the child spends the majority of their time. We reserve the right to ask for proof of residence.

The LA 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 with a medical GP. 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 the 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 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.