

10 November 2023

Dear Madam / Sir,

Callerton Academy – consultation regarding a change to the admissions policy for 2025

When changes are proposed to admission arrangements, all admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements that will apply for admission applications the following school year.

In accordance with the School Admissions Code 2021, admissions authorities must consult with:

- a) parents of children between the ages of two and eighteen;
- b) other persons in the relevant area who in the opinion of the admission authority have an interest in the proposed admissions;
- c) all other admission authorities within the relevant area (except that primary schools need not consult secondary schools);
- d) whichever of the governing body and the local authority is not the admission authority;
- e) any adjoining neighbouring local authorities where the admission authority is the local authority;
- f) in the case of schools designated with a religious character, the body or person representing the religion or religious denomination.

This consultation process allows any concerns about the proposed changes to be raised. **It is taking place for six weeks starting on Monday 13 November 2023 and closing on Monday 8 January 2024.**

At the end of the consultation period, decisions may be made based on the responses and the arrangements will be 'determined' by the Board of Trustees.

The admission arrangements must be determined by 28 February 2024 and published by 15 March 2024.

The main proposed change is the addition of designated feeder schools to the oversubscription criteria, priority number 4:

Oversubscription criteria

The criteria in this section apply to entry at all phases of the school.

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care plan or a Statement of Special Educational Needs naming the school,

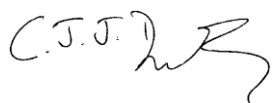
priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

- 1. Children who are currently looked after by a local authority (in care) in the UK, children who were previously looked after by a local authority in the UK or who appear to the admissions authority to have been in a state care outside of the UK, and afterwards became subject to an adoption, residence (child arrangements) order or special guardianship order. Evidence of the appropriate order must be submitted before the closing date for applications.*
- 2. Priority will next be given to the siblings of pupils attending the school at the time the application is received*
- 3. Priority will next be given to the children of staff who have been recruited to fill a skill shortage area.*
- 4. Priority will next be given to children attending the following feeder schools: Cheviot Primary School; Farne Primary School; Kingston Park Primary School; and Simonside Primary School.*
- 5. Priority will next be given to children living within 1.5 miles of the permanent school site. Distance is measured from the centre point of the child's home to the centre point at the permanent Callerton Academy site in a straight line.*
- 6. Other children*

Should you wish to participate in the consultation please forward any comments by email to admin@gosforthgroup.org.uk with the subject heading of Admissions Consultation.

To view the current admissions policy for Callerton Academy please visit the school website at [Callerton Academy Admissions Policy 2024](#)

Yours faithfully,



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