

BELFAST MODEL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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Controlled School

Girls' Secondary

Age Range: 11-18

Admission No: 160

Enrolment No: 950

Acting Principal: Mrs S Logan, BA(Hons), ACSE

Chair of Board of Governors: Mrs Jacqueline Weir

OPEN EVENING

Thursday 4th January 2018 - 7.00pm – 9.00pm. Address by Principal at 7.10 pm

OPEN DAY

Friday 5th January 2018 - 9.30am – 11.30am. (Parents and Carers Only)

RESPECTIVE FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND PRINCIPAL IN RELATION TO ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL

The Board of Governors delegate to the Principal and/or the Vice-Principals those functions relating to the admission of pupils.

ADMISSIONS POLICY

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR ENTRY OF PUPILS TO FORM 1 (YEAR 8) IN SEPTEMBER 2018

Criteria will be applied in the following order

1. A girl who, at the date of their application, has a sister (child of the family*) who attends or has attended Belfast Model School for Girls.
(The name and dates of attendance must be indicated on the Transfer Report Form)
2. A girl who, at the date of their application, has a brother (child of the family*) who attends or has attended Belfast Boys' Model School.
(The name and dates of attendance must be indicated on the Transfer Report Form)
***'Child of the family' Covers**
 - A child born to a married couple;
 - A child born to a co-habiting couple;
 - A child of either of those people by a previous marriage or relationship;
 - A child living with same sex partners whether there is a Civil Partnership under the Civil Partnership Act 2004 or not;
 - An adopted or fostered child.
 - A situation where for example an orphaned cousin is being brought up with a family.
3. A child of the family who is the first girl in the family to transfer to a mainstream secondary (non-grammar) school.
(The relevant information must be indicated on the Transfer Report Form).
4. A girl whose mother has attended the Girls' Model School.
(The name, at the time of attendance at the school and dates of attendance must be indicated on the Transfer Report Form)
5. Those applicants for whom Belfast Model School for Girls is the closest controlled school (ie straight line distance from home address to the main entrance of the school in Dunowen Gardens). In order to ensure accuracy and impartiality, this information will be provided by the OSNI.
6. If the number of applicants in any of the above groups within each category exceeds the remaining number of places available, the applicants will be further ranked for acceptance on the basis of a computerised random selection process which will have the names and dates of birth of the applicants as shown on their Transfer Form.

Please note: when considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on or attached to the Transfer Form. Parents should ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria (1-6 above) is stated on the Transfer Form or attached to it.

DUTY TO VERIFY

The Board of Governors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any applicant's Transfer Form.

If the requested evidence is not provided to the Board of Governors by the deadline given, this will result in the withdrawal of an offer of a place. Similarly, if information is supplied which appears to be false or misleading in any material way, the offer of a place will be withdrawn.

WAITING LIST POLICY

Should a vacancy arise after 18 May 2018 all applications for admission to Year 8 that were initially refused, new applications and applications where new information has been provided will be treated equally and the published criteria applied. This waiting list will remain in place indefinitely and be reviewed annually. Parents will be asked if they wish to remain on the list on an annual basis. The school will contact you in writing if your child gains a place in the school by this method. Your child's name will be automatically added to the list. Please contact the school if you wish for your child's name to be removed from the list.

Applications and Admissions

Year	Admissions No	Total Applications <i>ie. All preferences</i>	Total Admissions
2015	164	181	164
2016	162	162	162
2017	170	169	163